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Aslib's New Address

As indicated in the supplement to the December, 1949, issue of *Aslib Information*, Aslib's move to new offices is an accomplished fact. The new address is: 4 Palace Gate, Kensington, W.8; Tel. Western 6321/3. There will, however, be some weeks before the book-cases, steel partitions, and other equipment can be delivered, and for a time only one out of the three telephone lines will be available. For these reasons, and because of the inevitable upheaval following on such a move, during February Aslib members are asked not to call on the Information section except for really urgent enquiries and to be lenient regarding any delays in service which may occur.

The Annual General Meeting

Advantage of the formation of the new Aslib, incorporating the Association of Special Libraries and Information Bureaux and the British Society for International Bibliography, was taken to change its financial year to start on 1st January in place of 1st July. The date of the 1950 Annual General Meeting has therefore been fixed for the afternoon of Wednesday, 26th April. It will be held in London and details as to time and place will be circulated as soon as possible. In the meantime members are reminded that two months before that date, e.g. during February, they will receive the list of candidates nominated by the Aslib Council for election to fill the vacancies caused by the retirement of one-third of the Council in accordance with the Articles of Association. They will then have the opportunity of nominating any additional candidates. For each such nomination the signatures of five Aslib members must be obtained and the consent of the candidate must be secured in writing; moreover, each member can only make one nomination. If the candidates nominated by the Council and by the members together come to more than the number of places available, the election will be decided by postal ballot.

Since the business of securing the candidate's consent and of finding four other members who will support the nomination takes time, and the names must reach the Aslib office not later than 29th March, members are asked to start thinking as soon as possible of names that they would like to put forward. Forms may be obtained from the Aslib office on application.

Northern Branch

A Branch meeting will be held in the Huddersfield Technical College, Queen Street South, Huddersfield, at 2.30 p.m., on Friday, 24th February, 1950. Brigadier A. Levesley, O.B.E., M.C., T.D., M.I.Mech.Eng., a

Director of Messrs. Edgar Allen & Co., Ltd., Sheffield, will preside. The following two papers will be presented: "The Circulation of Periodicals", by Mr. G. A. Shires, of the Dunlop Rubber Co., Ltd., and "The Organization of a Small Industrial Library", by Mrs. M. Dean, of the British Rayon Industries Research Association.

Aslib Winter Meetings

The next meeting will be held on the 8th March at 5.30 p.m., at the Institution of Electrical Engineers, Savoy Place, Victoria Embankment, W.C.2. The speakers will be Mr. F. C. Francis, of the British Museum, on "The British National Bibliography" and Mr. W. Cox, of H.M. Stationery Office, on "Government Publications, with special reference to the card index service".

Aslib Training Courses

A week's training course for newcomers to special library and information work is being organized in London again this year, on similar lines to the courses held previously. Particulars will be circulated later, but members may like to make a note of the date, i.e. the week beginning 15th May, 1950.

Textile Guide

Aslib Guide to sources of specialized information, No. 4 Textiles and Allied Interests, is now available, price 10s. to Aslib members.

The scope of these Guides is well-known to members of Aslib, but a new feature of this latest Guide is that details of the classification used in the libraries covering the field of Textiles have been included, as well as details of their document reproduction facilities.

Dr. Alfred Loewenberg

Members who knew him will be shocked to hear of the sudden death on 29th December, 1949, after a very short illness, of Dr. Alfred Loewenberg, Editor and Executive Secretary of the *British Union Catalogue of Periodicals*. Dr. Loewenberg had been associated with the project from its beginning, when he worked as assistant to Mr. Theodore Besterman in 1944. His whole life had been devoted to the pursuit of bibliography, his special interests being in the operatic and theatrical field. Readers of the *Journal of Documentation* will remember his article on "Early Dutch librettos and plays with music in the British Museum" (Vol. 2, No. 4, March, 1947). We extend our most sincere sympathy to his widow.

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Some New Periodicals in 1949

The first month of 1950 seems a favourable moment to survey some of the periodicals which first appeared in 1949. No comprehensive list can, of course, be given here but the following, specimens of which have reached the Aslib office, may be of interest to members.

Abgila

This is a quarterly publication issued by the Indian Library Association, Vol. 1, No. 1, March, 1949. Editor: Dr. S. R. Ranganathan; Managing Editor: Sri S. Das Gupta, University Library, Delhi 2, India; annual subscription, India Rs 8/-/-, America \$4.00, Great Britain and other countries 16s. The journal is made up of three distinct parts, numbered in separate sequences so that the publication can be divided for binding. The first section comprises the Annals of the Indian Library Association and consists of articles on various aspects of librarianship; the second is the Bulletin containing reports of the activities of the Association, reviews, etc.; the third, the Granthalaya, is in Hindustani and includes articles and news of library interest together with reviews of books on library science published in any Indian language.

A.C.L.S. Newsletter

First issued May, 1949, by the American Council of Learned Societies. Editor: Mrs. Sally Hawkins, 1219 Sixteenth Street, N.W., Washington 6, D.C., U.S.A. The purpose of the publication is to inform those interested in the development of the humanities in the United States of the programme and activities of the ACLS. For many special librarians it will have the further interest of being, in itself, an enterprising venture in publication by means other than ordinary printing. The ACLS takes an active interest in the financial difficulties which face learned societies whose publications can only be sold in limited numbers, and Mr. Henry M. Silver has been appointed ACLS Staff Adviser on Publications. Of the two issues of the *Newsletter* which have so far appeared, the first was composed entirely on a typewriter-composing machine, the second on an IBM Proportional spacing machine; both were printed by offset. They, therefore, in themselves, give practical illustrations of the use of "near print" as a less expensive alternative to publication by ordinary methods. Mr. Silver contributes an article on problems of publishing in both numbers.

African Abstracts

This is a quarterly review of ethnographic, social and linguistic studies appearing in current periodicals, published by the International African Institute, with the assistance of Unesco; first issue, January, 1950. Editor: Daryll Forde. Annual subscription 26s. single issues 6s. 6d. Subscriptions and orders should be sent to the Institute, Seymour House, 17 Waterloo Place, London, S.W.1. (French subscriptions can be paid through Messrs. Whinney, Murray & Co., 21 Avenue Montaigne, Paris, 8e.)

The abstracts are printed in two groups, Ethnological and Social Studies, and Linguistic Studies, each group being further subdivided under regions. The first issue is devoted to articles in periodicals during the period 1948-49.

Archives

To be issued at Lady Day (March 25th) and Michaelmas (September 29th) by the British Records Association; No. 1 appeared on Lady Day, 1949. The Honorary Editor is Roger Ellis, Esq., 64 Seymour Street, London, W.1. Annual subscription 10s. for non-members (7s. 6d. for members), payable to the Hon. Treasurer, British Records Association, Hoare's Bank, 37 Fleet Street, London, E.C.4. Besides being the journal of the Association in which its activities will be recorded, *Archives* will aim at including both descriptions of depositories of archives and their administration, and articles demonstrating the use of archive material in various branches of research.

Buletin de Documentare Tehnica

Published monthly by the Institutul de Documentare, Bibliografie s. Editura Tehnică, Str. Gabriel Péri Nr. 3, Bucarest, Rumania; first issue January, 1949, in Roumanian. The journal includes articles, abstracts of articles in periodicals, and book reviews, all classified according to the U.D.C.

Buletinul de Standardizare

Published monthly as the official organ of the Roumanian Comisiunii de Standardizare, Str. Doamnei 22, Bucarest; first issue January, 1949. All standards printed in Rumanian only.

Bulletin d'Information Scientifique et Technique

Issued monthly by the Association pour l'Utilisation et la Diffusion de la Documentation (U.D.D.), 18 Avenue de Villars, Paris, 7e; first issue December, 1949. News notes on books, articles in periodicals and other publications, photo-copies of which, in micro-film or paper reproductions, can be obtained on application to the Association. The bibliographical references themselves are not supplied, though the language of the original is indicated when it is not French.

Fundamental Education Abstracts

Issued monthly by the Education Clearing House of Unesco, 19 Avenue Kléber, Paris, 16e; first issue March, 1949. English, French and Spanish editions are available.

Jernkontorets Litteraturoversikt

Published monthly in Swedish by Jernkontorets Litteratürjänst, Kungsträdgårdsgatan 6, Stockholm C, at Kr. 12 per annum. First issue April, 1949. This is an abstracting journal covering mining, metallurgy, metal processing, heat treatment and metallography. Two classification systems are used, the U.D.C., and the Jernkontoret system, the outline of which is printed on pages 2 and 3 of the cover.

Journal of the International Folk Music Council

To be published annually at first, price 10s. to non-members of the Council. Subscriptions and enquiries should be addressed to the Hon. Secretary, Miss Maud Karpeles, 26 Warwick Road, London, S.W.5. The 1949 issue is mainly devoted to the proceedings of the Conference held at Basle in September, 1948; articles are in English or French.

(Further details will appear in a later issue.)

Book Notes

COMITÉ FRANÇAIS DE LA DOCUMENTATION. Guide des services français de photocopie et de photomicrocopie. Compiled by Mme S. Briet, Mme A. Lattes and M. P. Poindron. Paris: Bibliothèque Nationale, 1949. n.p. Mimeographed.

This is a directory of French organizations from which photographic reproductions of documents can be obtained. Eventually this information will form part of the larger international guide to documentation services planned by the International Federation for Documentation, and the present publication, the first of its kind for France, has rather the nature of a preliminary try-out. Nevertheless, it brings together a great deal of detailed information as to the type of photocopy which can be obtained from each organization, the charges made, etc., which should be most useful to those seeking copies of material not otherwise obtainable. A second, revised edition is already under consideration and a copy of a questionnaire is circulated with the publication. It is to be hoped that the next edition may be issued in a more durable form: the present edition, in unpaged mimeographed sheets precariously held together by staples, would certainly not survive frequent consultation.

LA DOCUMENTATION FRANÇAISE. Répertoire des organismes de documentation (Région parisienne). Paris: La Documentation Française, 1948. pp. 112. 192 frs.

This is based on the *Répertoire des Organismes de Documentation intéressant la production industrielle*, published in 1942. The present publication should be specially useful in that it incorporates a great number of changes of information arising since 1942. The directory omits the information services of private firms, which are generally reserved for the use of their own staff, and also leaves out sections on the press, radio and cinema, which will be covered in a separate publication. The arrangement is alphabetical and the entries are printed in a single column on each page in such a way that they can be cut out for mounting on cards if so desired. A subject index is also given.

W. BROOKE GRAVES. Facts and figures about the Federal Government. Its departments and agencies and their activities. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Library of Congress Legislative Reference Service, 1949. (*Public Affairs Bulletins*, No. 74). pp. 71. (Multilith.) 45 cents.

Brings together in a convenient and readily usable form most of the factual data contained in the reports of the Commission on the Organization of the Executive Branch of the Government, popularly known as the Hoover Commission.

RAYMOND IRWIN. Librarianship: essays on applied bibliography. London: Grafton, 1949. pp. 131.

In this little book the author sets out to consider librarianship as a whole in contrast to the more usual approach through the individual techniques of which it is composed. Chapter headings are: the problem stated; a theoretic discipline; theory and practice; applied bibliography; theory of arrangement; and knowledge and liberty.

MARVIN W. MCFARLAND. The General Spaatz collection. U.S. Library of Con-

gress, 1949. pp. 33. Reprint from the *Library of Congress Quarterly Journal of Current Acquisitions*, May 1949, Vol. 6, No. 3.

The acquisition by the Library of Congress of the papers of General Carl Spaatz, former Chief of Staff of the U.S. Air Force, was made possible by a three-way agreement between General Spaatz, the Department of the Air Force and the Library of Congress. The history of the collection is set out in detail and throws a great deal of interesting light on the difficulties of gathering, during the actual progress of war, the contemporary records which are to serve as the raw material of subsequent official histories of the campaigns.

NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL RESEARCH. Register of research in the social sciences in progress and in plan (No. 6, 1948-49) with a directory of research institutions. Edited by Feodora Stone. London: Cambridge University Press, 1949. pp. 155. 15s.

The fields covered are: anthropology, demography, economics, economic and social history, education, geography, industrial relations and management, international relations, political sciences, public administration, psychology, social medicine, sociology. In this edition there is a new and very useful section containing information on the organization, research arrangements and personnel of a number of the research institutions and university research sections of the British Isles.

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Scientific centenaries in 1950. EDGAR C. SMITH. *Nature*, Vol. 165, No. 4184, 7 Jan. 1950, pp. 9-11.

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Catalogs, codes and bibliographical control. WILMA RADFORD. *College and Research Libraries*, Vol. 10, No. 4, Oct. 1949, pp. 395-400, 428.

The rôle of the United Nations and specialized agencies in bibliographical development. H. C. CAMPBELL. *College and Research Libraries*, Vol. 10, No. 4, Oct. 1949, pp. 326-8.

The Waterloo of science. J. E. BURCHARD. *Review of Documentation*, Vol. 16, Fasc. 4, 1949, pp. 94-7.

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Research libraries of Scandinavia. DONALD O. ROD. *College and Research Libraries*, Vol. 10, No. 4, Oct. 1949, pp. 338-43, 405.

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MARIETTA DANIELS. *College and Research Libraries*, Vol. 10, No. 4, Oct. 1949, pp. 361-6.

Japan's new national library. ROBERT B. DOWNS. *College and Research Libraries*, Vol. 10, No. 4, Oct. 1949, pp. 381-7, 416.

A traveller's-eye view of libraries in the Near East. BERTHA M. FRICK. *College and Research Libraries*, Vol. 10, No. 4, Oct. 1949, pp. 388-94.

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Non-European libraries in Natal. FRANKLIN H. ROOKE. *South African Libraries*, Vol. 17, No. 2, Oct. 1949, pp. 83-9.

The literature of the film: the book library of the British Film Institute. MARGARET COHEN. *Library Association Record*, Vol. 51, No. 11, Nov. 1949, pp. 343-5.

The General Spaatz collection. MARVIN W. MCFARLAND. Reprint from the *Library of Congress Quarterly Journal of Current Acquisitions*, May 1949, Vol. 6, No. 3.

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Reference service in the metal box industry. D. J. FOSKETT. *Library Association Record*, Vol. 51, No. 11, Nov. 1949, pp. 338-40.

Special librarianship—what it connotes. S. R. RANGANATHAN. *Special Libraries*, Vol. 40, No. 9, Nov. 1949, pp. 361-7.

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LIBRARY ASSOCIATION. The place of the public library in the care of records; a symposium of personal views; an account of recent deliberations on the provision of scientific information; the resources of special libraries in London available to the public; research in librarianship; research in a restricted area; work with young people in London; reference library policy in medium-sized towns, being read at the week-end conference of the London and Home Counties Branch of the Library Association. The Association, 1949. pp. 41. 5s.

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F.I.A.T. Reviews

The following additional titles are now available from the Aslib Library: HEINRICH MARTIUS, *Obstetrics and Gynaecology*, Part II; WILHELM KLEMM, *Inorganic Chemistry*, Part VI.

Changes of Name, Address, and Aslib Representative

Ministry of Food Library: Mr. E. A. Baker now representative.
Institution of British Agricultural Engineers: Mr. D. St. J. Magnus succeeds Mr. G. D. Betty.

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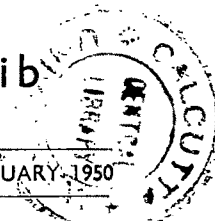
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The New Director

The Council of Aslib has appointed Mr. Leslie Wilson as Director of Aslib in succession to Miss E. M. R. Ditmas and he will take office as from 1st March, 1950. Mr. Wilson, who is a Cambridge graduate who has specialized in modern languages, has been Foreign Editor of the *Times Educational Supplement* since 1946. He is also a member of the Council of the Modern Language Association and editor of its periodical, *Modern Languages*. We wish him all good fortune in his new post.

UNESCO Book Coupon Scheme

The following notes have been circulated by the U.K. National Co-operating Body for Libraries :

As from 1st January, 1950, the 5 per cent poundage levied by Unesco on all coupons has been abolished. The only surcharge remaining on the face value of the coupons is therefore the 5 per cent imposed by the U.K. Distributing Agency (Book Tokens, Ltd.) to cover its own costs. Thus the surcharge which purchasers of coupons have had to pay in the past is now halved, and the cost of books purchased under the scheme is appreciably lowered.

Moreover the American Booksellers Association, which is the agency to which coupons must be sent with orders for U.S. books, has agreed to retain only a 15 per cent discount on all publications sold in exchange for coupons to booksellers and institutions in other countries. American publishers often allow a much larger discount than 15 per cent, and hitherto the A.B.A. have retained the whole of it, so that the purchaser had to pay full retail price. Any discount over and above 15 per cent is now passed on, not only to booksellers but to institutions. (On the other hand where insufficient or no discount is granted by the publisher, A.B.A. will make a surcharge up to 15 per cent.)

The effect of these two developments should reduce considerably in many cases the cost of books purchased under the scheme, and members are requested to bring this to the attention of organizations with which they are in touch.

F.I.D. Council Meeting

At a recent meeting, in Paris, of the Executive Committee of the Federation Internationale de Documentation it was decided that a meeting of the Council of the F.I.D. should be held on 30th April and the 1st of May, and that if possible a meeting of ISO 46 Documentation should be organized on contingent dates. These meetings will probably be held in Switzerland instead of in Italy as had originally been planned ; further details will follow.

Visit to the Library of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research

By the kind invitation of Dr. Urquhart three parties of Aslib members visited the headquarter's library of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research on 1st, 2nd and 3rd February. We were shown an exhibition of the publications of the various research associations and were allowed to take copies of those that are available for distribution. The Make-up of the Monthly Report that is circulated within the Department was illustrated and each stage of the various processes was displayed. The possibilities of the use of Hollerith cards for the compilation of lists of periodicals according to various groupings were indicated.

We then visited the library itself and saw the method of recording periodicals and of cataloguing. An ingenious system of coloured markers enabled the record of periodicals on the Kardex to show at once if any item was in arrears. The catalogue entries are typed on a spirit duplicating machine so that enough copies can be made for the various classification numbers allocated. Classification is by the Universal Decimal system. The steel shelving used is adjustable and is of a cream colour which gives a much lighter and cleaner impression than the usual dark green. Part of the library is reserved for reference works and abstracts.

After inspecting the library itself, we saw films of the Library of Congress's methods of reproducing catalogue entries without re-typing and also one of the D.S.I.R.'s on dry rot and its devastating effects. A film illustrating the advantages of co-operative research followed, with examples taken from tanning, laundry work, etc.

Cordial thanks are due to the D.S.I.R. for their hospitality, which included an excellent tea, and for the ready way in which they answered questions put to them.

New B.U.C.O.P. Editor

Mr. J. D. Stewart, M.B.E., F.L.A., for many years Chief Librarian of Bermondsey Public Library, has been appointed Editor and Executive Officer of the *British Union Catalogue of Periodicals*.

Scottish Branch Meeting

A one-day meeting of the Scottish Branch of Aslib has been planned for 14th April, 1950, at the Mitchell Library, Glasgow, under the chairmanship of Dr. D. G. Brown. Details of the programme are not yet available but any member of Aslib who would like to attend the meeting is invited to notify the Hon. Secretary of the Scottish Branch, Mrs. Margaret Spence, at the Scottish Seaweed Research Association, Institute of Seaweed Research, Inveresk Gate, Musselburgh, Midlothian.

Some New Periodicals in 1949

Library Record, University College, Ibadan, Nigeria

The main part of this mimeographed compilation is a record of the accessions to the College Library, but it is prefaced by some news notes by the Librarian, Mr. John Harris, which throw vivid light on some of the difficulties and special problems confronting a pioneer library in tropical Africa.

O.N.O. Mededelingen (O.N.O. News)

The official monthly organ of the Organization for Scientific Research in Indonesia, Koningsplein Zuid 11 pav., Batavia-C, the first issue of which appeared in May, 1949. The paper, which is published mainly in Dutch, gives general information on the activities of the Organisatie voor Natuurwetenschappelijk Onderzoek in Indonesia and other scientific research institutions in Indonesia, international relations, scientific personnel, conferences, etc. It will be sent free to any organization maintaining regular contact with O.N.O.

Occasional Papers, University of Illinois Library School

The first of these papers, to be issued irregularly, appeared in July, 1949. The manuscripts to be published in this series will be either too long or too detailed for publication in a library periodical, or, in the words of the announcement, "will be of such specialized or temporary interest as to militate against their appearance in a more permanent form". Copies are available free on request: all communications should be addressed to Herbert Goldhor, Editor, *Occasional Papers, University of Illinois Library School, Urbana, Illinois*.

Peat

This is the quarterly journal of the newly formed British and Irish Peat Society, "Durham", Sunningdale, Berks, at 2s. 6d. per issue. The Society has been formed, and the journal is issued, in order to bring together information on the type of bogs which can be usefully and economically developed, the ways in which this can be done, and the manner in which different kinds of peat can be best used.

Rayon and Design

A quarterly magazine published by the Rayon Industry Design Centre, 1 Upper Grosvenor Street, London, W.1, and available only to members of the Centre; Vol. 1, No. 1, December, 1949. The journal is fully illustrated in colour and covers articles on various aspects of textile designs as well as details of the actual construction of new and old fabrics.

S.C.E.T.A. Bulletin de Documentation

Published monthly in French by the Société de Contrôle et d'Exploitation de Transports Auxiliaires, Centre de Documentation, 95 rue d'Amsterdam, Paris; first issue January, 1949. In addition to articles on various aspects of transport, mainly road and rail, each issue contains abstracts from world literature on the subject, reviews, and notes on legal questions affecting transport.

Translated Contents Lists of Russian Periodicals

These are prepared by a number of co-operating organizations and are issued monthly by the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, Rex House, 4-12 Regent Street, London, S.W.1; first issue June, 1949. The periodicals covered are scientific and technical.

Unesco Abstracts and Bibliography

Issued monthly by the Education Clearing House, Fundamental Education, 19 Avenue Kléber, Paris, 16e.; first issue March, 1949. The object is to supply at regular brief intervals a descriptive list of technical materials in the field of fundamental education. English, French or Spanish editions are available. (See also *Fundamental Education in Abstracts*.)

Unesco News Bulletin

Circulated fortnightly by the Bureau of Public Information of Unesco, 19 Avenue Kléber, Paris, 16e, to give news of the organization's work in various parts of the world. (Mimeographed.) (Members are reminded that the *Official Bulletin of Unesco*, which is published every two months in French and English, started at the end of 1948. The subscription price is 6s. per annum or 1s. 3d. per issue.)

United States Book Exchange Newsletter

A mimeographed newsletter circulated bi-monthly by the United States Book Exchange, Inc., c/o the Library of Congress, Washington, D.C., to give the latest information on the progress of the activities of the organization. The first issues were monthly, starting February, 1949, but they have been circulated every two months since May.

Forthcoming Events

- 14th April. Aslib Scottish Branch one-day conference, Mitchell Library, Glasgow.
- 20th April. Library Association, University and Research Section, 6.30 p.m. Visit to the Library of the British and Foreign Bible Society. Mr. L. A. Sheppard, M.A., F.S.A., to speak on early printed bibles.
- 26th April. Aslib Annual General Meeting. 4 p.m.
- 28th-29th April. Meeting of ISO 46—Documentation in Switzerland.
- 30th April-2nd May. Meeting of F.I.D. Council at Ascona, Switzerland.
- 1st-7th May. Library Association, London and Home Counties Branch and Eastern Branch, Joint annual week-end conference at Clacton-on-Sea.
- 15th-19th May. Aslib training course for newcomers to special library and information work, Chaucer House, London.
- 25th May. Library Association, University and Research Section, 6.30 p.m., Chaucer House, London. Mr. J. N. L. Myres, M.A., F.S.A., Bodley's Librarian, to speak on the libraries of Oxford.
- 11th-16th June. Special Libraries Association annual conference, Atlantic City, New Jersey, U.S.A. Correspondence to Eleanor S. Cavanaugh, Standard & Poor's Corp., 345 Hudson Street, New York 14, N.Y.
- 24th-29th July. University of Chicago Conference on Bibliographic Organization. Details available from the Dean of the Graduate Library School, University of Chicago, Chicago 37, Illinois, U.S.A.

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Les statistiques des bibliothèques Suisses pour 1947 et 1948. *Nouvelles ABS & ASD*, Vol. 25, No. 6, Nov.-Dec. 1949, pp. 153-73.

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Les bibliothèques en Espagne. Rapport national. A. TORTAJADA. *Actes du Comité International des Bibliothèques*, Vol. 14, 1949, pp. 83-90.

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Press in exile: German anti-Nazi periodicals, 1933-1945. *Wiener Library Bulletin*, Vol. 3, No. 5-6, Sept.-Nov. 1949, pp. 31.

Report on the Universal Decimal Classification. GEORGES LORPHEVRE. *Proceedings of the Conference on Building Documentation*, 1949, pp. 125-50.

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New Members

Since the list published in the December issue of this bulletin, the following have been elected to membership of Aslib:

Acton Public Library (London)	C. Hocking
Albright & Wilson, Ltd. (Development Dept.) (London)	F. W. Masham
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Brown & Forth, Ltd. (London)	J. W. Brown
Central Council for Health Education, The (London)	Dr. R. Sutherland
Central Statistical Office of the Republic of Poland (The Library) (Warsaw)	Mrs. I. Morsztynkiewicz
Cox, Miss M. I. (Surrey)	
Gleason, Miss J. A. (Middlesex)	
Howard, Mrs. B. G. (London)	
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Mallaber, K. A. (London)	
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(New Zealand) National Library Service (Wellington, N.Z.)	N. Travers
Parker, Miss E. W. (Surrey)	
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Redbourn Pty., Ltd. (Sydney, N.S.W.)	D. H. Piper
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Spence, Alexander (Lancs.)	
Agricultural Research Station Library (Palestine)	Dr. S. Ginsburg, M.D.
Army Medical Library (U.S.A.)	J. Groesbeck
Brisch, E. G., & Partners Ltd. (London)	E. G. Brisch
British Baking Industries Research Association, The (Herts)	Miss E. M. Laing
Centro de Documentação Científica de Instituto para a Alta Cultura (Lisbon)	Dr. Z. Paulo
Cumberland County Library	Miss W. E. Alder-Barrett
Derby Technical College Library	A. E. Darbyshire
Ferguson, Harry, Limited (Coventry)	G. G. Goodwin
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Newbold Library, Gordon Memorial College (Khartoum, Sudan)	M. Joliffe
North Staffordshire University College (Newcastle-under-Lyme)	S. O. Stewart
Porritt, Frank (Manchester)	
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Changes of Name, Address, and Aslib Representative

Institution of Engineering Inspection: now 28 Victoria Street, S.W.1. (Abbey 3794.)

South Shields Public Libraries: now Central Library, South Shields. Mr. J. S. Swan succeeds Mr. H. Burgess.

Rinne, V.: now Tehtaankatu 11 A 3, Helsinki, Finland.

British Celanese Ltd.: now Celanese House, Hanover Square, W.1. Mr. S. J. Allen succeeds Mr. W. H. Stephens.

British Institute of Management: now 8 Hill Street, W.1. (Grosvenor 6000.)

Iodine Educational Bureau: now the Chilean Iodine Educational Bureau.

Cutting, Miss P.: now 9 Woodside Avenue, Highgate, N.6.

Ministry of Labour and National Service: now Ministry of Labour and National Service, Information Service, Factory Dept., Room 017, Ebury Bridge House, Ebury Bridge Road, S.W.1. (Sloane 9661, ext. 101.)

Stone, C. P.: now c/o Reference and Commercial Library, 198 High Holborn, W.C.1.

Renold and Coventry Chain Co., Ltd.: Mr. E. E. Hemsall succeeds Mr. J. E. Dulsdon.

Royal Naval Torpedo Factory: Miss J. G. Rowe succeeds Mr. A. H. Antram. Admiralty Signal Establishment: now Admiralty Signal and Radar Establishment.

British Council, Production Division (Book Reviews): now British Council (Books Dept.). Mr. J. D. A. Barricott succeeds Mrs. Lancaster Jones.

Lindsthåls Bokhandel: Mr. Johan Martensen succeeds Mr. J. C. E. H. Saow. British Transport Commission: now St. Pancras Chambers, Euston Road, N.W.1. (Terminus 7000.)

Sudan Dept. of Agriculture and Forests: Mr. W. J. Plumbe succeeds Mr. L. Rahmatalla.

British Film Institute (Information Dept.): now 164 Shaftesbury Avenue, W.2.2. New York University (School of Commerce Library): Mr. Cornelius B. Allen succeeds Mr. Mulford Martin.

Goodwin, Miss A. M.: now 7 Colonnade House, 1 South Row, S.E.3.

Mitchell, Miss E. M.: now 7 Colonnade House, 1 South Row, S.E.3.

Taylor, Miss J. R.: now 7 Colonnade House, 1 South Row, S.E.3.

Institute of Petroleum: Mr. G. Bell succeeds Mr. F. H. Coe.

Nottinghamshire County Library: now County Hall (Trent Bridge), Nottingham. (Nottingham 88621.)

Oregon University Library, U.S.A.: Mr. E. B. Barnes succeeds Mr. R. C. Swank.

Hosiery Research Council: now Hosiery and Allied Trades Research Association. Mr. N. F. Cooper, A.C.I.S., succeeds Mr. W. A. Dutton.

Institution of Railway Signal Engineers: now Room 710, Euston House, Eversholt Street, N.W.1. (Euston 1234, ext. 8221.) Mr. G. J. Dicken succeeds Mr. T. S. Lascelles.

Members' Advertisements

Situations Vacant

Rothamsted Experimental Station, Harpenden, Herts. Librarian required. The library contains some 35,000 volumes and serves a staff of over 100 research workers in agricultural science. Experience in librarianship and in handling scientific literature and some acquaintance with the working and library requirements of a research station are desirable qualifications. Preference will be given to a university graduate. Salary in the scale £495-£760 (men) or £405-£645 (women). Point of entry according to qualifications and experience. Appointment carries superannuation (employer 10 per cent, employee 5 per cent). Applications to be sent to the Secretary within fourteen days of appearance of this advertisement.

Albright & Wilson, Ltd., have a vacancy in the Information Section of their Development Department. Applicants, who should have a knowledge of chemistry, preferably to degree standard, should write giving full particulars of education and experience to Dev. Dept., Albright & Wilson, Ltd., 49 Park Lane, W.1.

Periodicals Required

The Librarian, Agricultural Economics Research Institute, Parks Road, Oxford, is anxious to obtain copies of the following volumes in the *Stockholm Economic Studies* series issued by the Stockholm Institute of Social Sciences: Population movements and industrialization. By members of the staff of the Stockholm Institute of Social Sciences. London, P. S. King, 1941. Social and economic aspects of Swedish population movements, 1750-1933. By Dorothy S. Thomas. London, P. S. King, 1941. The national income of Sweden, 1860-1930. By E. Lindahl and others. 2 Vols. London, P. S. King, 1937.

Statutory Rules and Orders wanted. The University of London Library, Senate House, W.C.1, would be glad to receive any of the following Statutory Rules and Orders:

2nd. revised edition, 1904. Vol. 8. Annual Vols. 1904-1913, 1914 Vol. 1, 1915 Vol. 1, 1916 Vol. 1, 1917-1924, 1937, 1939, 1941, Indexes to S.R. and O. in force. 1920, 1939, 1940.

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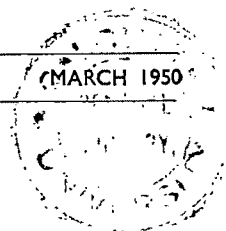
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No Close Horizon

The finest tradition of British Parliamentary democracy is that, for all the changes and upheavals to which human affairs are subject, orderly government must go speedily and smoothly forward. As with the weighty affairs of State, so with the daily life of our Association. Members will already know that the Council of Aslib has conferred on me the signal honour of appointing me to succeed Miss Ditmas as the Association's principal servant. It is an honour which I have accepted gladly, even eagerly, because I have for long known Aslib as a journalist and an independent observer and, for just so long, have been convinced of the sterling quality of the service it has rendered to the world of learning and, no less, of the still more powerful part it could and should play in the nation's affairs.

The achievement of that end is the goal towards which Aslib's energies must now be directed, and I share with all members the satisfaction of knowing that Miss Ditmas is still with us to lend the whole weight of her experience and intellectual achievement to the pursuit of that ideal. It is no idle eulogy to say that she has built up, at a great cost in personal freedom and leisure, a reputation as a documentalist which the best of us might envy. For what Aslib is to-day, it owes probably more to her intellectual distinction, her natural gift for friendliness and, above all, her sense of disinterested service than to any other of the many factors which have shaped its growth to national and international eminence. I am happy to pay this humble

and inadequate tribute, and I do so as one who is conscious both of the exacting nature of the standards she has set me and of the immense value of the help and advice which she is now giving to me in London. The removal to new premises and the change of directorship, coming as they did at much the same time, have unavoidably caused some delays in the Aslib services, but I believe that the transition has now been happily completed. The life of Aslib goes on.

To come into Aslib at such a momentous time in its history is, I need hardly say, an exciting prospect. The generosity of H.M. Government, acting through the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research, makes the steady development of our work not only possible but essential. The universities, industry, commerce, the professions all stand in need of machinery for making specialized knowledge readily available where it is most urgently needed. Nor must we think in national terms alone. The needs and ideals which brought Aslib into being are common to all who set store by human progress. It may well be that to serve one's neighbour is the surest step towards service to mankind. But it is only the first step. The twentieth century will brook no close horizon. We in Aslib, I am convinced, must think boldly, act boldly. The opportunity is here. On our seizure of it, far more than the future of Aslib may depend.

LESLIE WILSON.

Index-Catalogue ceases publication

The American *Index-Catalogue of the Surgeon-General's Library* is to cease publication. After the last issue the Army Medical Library will publish a volume or volumes to complete the record of its monographic holdings up to the middle of the century. Provision for a continuing record of the holdings has been assured in the form of an annual supplement to the *Library of Congress Catalog of Printed Cards*.

At the same time the Library's *Current List of Medical Literature* will be augmented. An author index will be added, a standard list of journals to be covered regularly will be introduced, classification by broad journal groupings will be abandoned, the format and frequency of publication may be altered, and a cumulative subject index will be provided.

Aslib Proceedings

Owing to production difficulties some members may receive Part 4 of Volume 1 of *Aslib Proceedings* before Part 3. Part 3 will be the new Membership List, and Part 4 will contain the papers and discussions from the 1949 Annual Conference.

Aslib Guides : Economics

Work has started on the compilation of *Aslib Guides to Sources of Information in Great Britain—No. 5 : Economics*. We are anxious that this guide should be as comprehensive as possible and shall be glad of the co-operation of non-profit-making organizations whose activities cover the following fields: General Economics, Labour, Banking, Money, Exchange, Credit, Co-operation, Public Finance, Taxes, Production and Free

Trade. The Information Officer at 4 Palace Gate will be pleased to forward copies of the questionnaire.

Fourth World Power Conference

Copies of the "Provisional Programme and Application for Membership" for the Fourth World Power Conference to be held in London from 10th to 15th July, 1950, may be obtained from:

Offices of the Fourth World Power Conference,
414 Cecil Chambers,
76 Strand,
London, W.C.2.

There are still vacancies in certain of the Post-Conference Study Tours and the day and half-day excursions from London for the week beginning Monday, 17th July.

Russian Technical Periodicals

We learn from Stechert-Hafner that the following Russian periodicals will not be exported from the U.S.S.R. in 1950:

Zhurnal Tekhnicheskoy Fiziki (Journal of Technical Physics).

Zhurnal Fizicheskoy Khimii (Journal of Physical Chemistry).

Zhurnal Eksperimental'noy i Teoreticheskoy Fiziki (Journal of Experimental and Theoretical Physics).

Izvestia Akademii Nauk, SSSR, Seria Geologicheskaya; Izvestia Akademii Nauk, SSSR, Seria Fizicheskaya (Bulletin of the Academy of Sciences of the USSR, Geology Series and Physics Series).

Kolloidnyy Zhurnal (Colloid Journal).

Automatika i Telemekhanika (Automatics and Telemechanics).

Vestnik Elektromishlennosti (Electrical Industry Bulletin).

Zavodskaya Laboratoriya (Factory Laboratory).

Meditsinskaya Promishlennosti (Medical Industry).

Avtomobilnaya Promishlennosti (Automobile Industry).

Stechert-Hafner automatically renewed customers' subscriptions for these titles, but they regret that they are unable to secure them.

Scottish Branch Conference

A one-day Conference of the Scottish Branch will be held at the Mitchell Library, North Street, Glasgow, C.3, on Friday, 14th April, with Dr. D. G. Brown (Chairman of the Branch) in the chair. The following papers will be given:

Opening address, by The Rt. Hon. Thomas Johnston, P.C.

The Records of Scotland, by James Fergusson, Keeper of the Records of Scotland.

Books in Industry, by Sir James French, D.Sc., Chairman of the Royal Technical College, Glasgow.

The Range of Government Publications, by W. A. Beck, M.V.O., M.B.E., Superintendent of H.M. Stationery Office for Scotland.

What the Technologist Expects of the Information Bureau, by S. Weinberg, Research Department, Messrs. G. & J. Weir, Ltd.

Annual General Meeting of the Branch.

South country members who wish to attend can obtain application forms from 4 Palace Gate.

Aslib Junior Training Course

Application forms are now available from 4 Palace Gate for the Aslib Junior Training Course to be held at Chaucer House, Malet Place, W.C.1, from the 15th to 20th May, 1950. Details are as follows:

Lectures

A survey of British libraries by subject, indicating sources of reference, guides, etc., by H. S. Hylands, *House of Commons Library*.

Special Library loan systems and circulation techniques—external, by C. E. C. Hewetson, *The Institute of the Motor Industry*.

Special Library loan systems and circulation techniques—internal, by B. H. Chibnall, *Shell Film Unit*.

Special Library inquiry technique, by C. W. Hanson, *B.S.I.R.A.*

Problems of unorthodox classification and contiguous fields, by Miss Ruth Jacobs, *D.S.I.R.*

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Whole Course (5 lectures, 5 library visits, tea each day)		2	0 0
Single day, or part thereof (in addition to registration fee)		12	6
Non-member surcharge (whether for whole or part of the course)		10	6

(Tickets will be interchangeable between members of an organization.)

Time-Table:

The course will be opened by Dr. V. E. Parke, Intelligence Officer, I.C.I., Ltd., Billingham Division, and Chairman of the Aslib Education Committee, at 2.30 p.m. on 15th May. There will be no library visits on that day.

Library visits Students will gather at Chaucer House to meet the leader of the group for which they have registered at 9.30 or 10 p.m., on each day, Tuesday to Saturday.

Lectures All lectures will take place in the Council Room (first floor), beginning at 3 p.m. on each day, Monday to Friday.

Tea This will be served in the Members' Room (ground floor) at 4 p.m. each day, Monday to Friday.

Guest librarians and information officers will be invited to meet the students.

Discussion At about 4.45 or 5 p.m. the students will reassemble in the Council Room for discussion on the day's lecture.

The course will be summed up on Friday at the close of the discussion by Mr. A. E. Cummins, Librarian of the Chemical Society and Deputy Chairman of Aslib Education Committee. There will be library visits on Saturday morning.

Availability of Russian Translations

Numerous inquiries are being received both at D.S.I.R. and at the Science Museum Library about the availability of full translations of articles in periodicals covered by the *Translated Contents Lists*. In general it should be noted that the time which elapses between the receipt of a copy of a Russian periodical in this country

and the appearance of the titles of the articles contained in it in the *Translated Contents Lists* is now so short that it is unlikely that any translations of the articles themselves have been made.

The Science Museum Library has advertised its willingness to accept copies of translations of Russian scientific and technical articles and to make them available through its photocopying service. At present, however, only about a dozen translations a month are being received, while about 600 articles are listed each month in the *Translated Contents Lists*. Translations received by the Science Museum Library are catalogued and listed in the *Weekly List of Accessions to the Library*, but as this list may not be generally available, it has been decided to include from time to time in the *Translated Contents Lists* a list of the translations held by the Science Museum Library. It is hoped that users of the *Translated Contents Lists* will refer to this list of translations before approaching the Science Museum Library.

The first of these lists of translations will be included in the next issue of the *Translated Contents Lists*, i.e. No. 11, April, 1950.

Training for Special Librarianship

Members of Aslib who are working for the Library Association's examinations will no doubt be interested in the following information on the facilities for training in special subjects which will be available in the London area during the 1950-51 session. The revised syllabus for the Registration and Final examinations provides much more scope for those working in non-public libraries, but since the number of candidates for examination in any one specialist subject is not likely to be large it is important that registration for classes should not be left until the last moment. As the last paragraph emphasizes, the provision of these special classes is dependent upon a sufficiency of students.

The following details have been supplied by courtesy of the Library Association:

TUITION IN SPECIAL SUBJECTS 1950-51 Session—London Area

By agreement between the schools concerned, part-time tuition in parts of the Registration and Final Examination will be offered as follows:

At Spring Grove Polytechnic, Isleworth, Middlesex.

Registration Group D (vii) (b) Literature of Science.

Final Part 3 (d) 1st Paper Literature and Librarianship of Science.

3 (d) 2nd Paper (i) Literature and Librarianship of Mathematical and Physical Sciences.

3 (d) „ (ii) Literature and Librarianship of Science: Chemistry and Chemical Technology.

3 (d) „ (iv) Literature and Librarianship of Science: Engineering and Building Technology.

At North-Western Polytechnic, Prince of Wales Road, London, N.W.

Registration Group D (vii) (c) Literature of social and political ideas.

Final Part 3 (c) Literature and Librarianship of the Social Sciences.

3 (i) Literature and Librarianship of Linguistics and of History and Theory of Literature.

At School of Librarianship and Archives, University College, London, W.C.

(A limited number of students would be accepted in the courses normally provided for students for the Diploma.)

Final Part 2 Library Organization and Administration:

2nd Paper (b) University and College Libraries.

(c) Special Libraries and Information Bureaux.

The provision of classes in any of the above subjects is, of course, contingent upon a sufficient number of students being forthcoming to justify it. This is an advance notification, and all inquiries should be addressed to the director of the school concerned.

I.F.L.A. 3rd International Congress

Members who were intending to visit U.S.A. in connexion with the third international congress, arranged by the International Federation of Library Associations later this year, will regret to hear that the congress has been postponed because of the currency difficulties. It is not yet known whether any alternative arrangements are to be made.

Book Notes

APIA (Authors' Publishers' International Agency): Monthly book news on world publishing. A private information service on European and American publishing issued to personal subscribers only. Edited by Gérard Boutelleau. Paris, 21 Boulevard Montmartre; London, 3 Bradford House, Kinnerton Street, S.W.1. Subscription £3 3s. per ann. (First issue October 1949.) Mimeographed.

This brings together under one cover publishing news from various countries—the December 1949 issue contained sections on France, U.S.A., Italy, Germany and Austria, Spain, Scandinavian countries, and Great Britain. Besides general

news notes, each section contains news of children's books, books just out, books to come, important translations, and a short list of best-sellers.

OXFORD UNIVERSITY. DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY. List of periodicals and serial publications in the Library of the Department of Forestry, University of Oxford. Oxford: Oxford University Press, 1949. 118 pp.

These are arranged alphabetically under the names of the country of origin and are further sub-divided under the headings of (1) Journals; (2) Occasional publications, including annual reports. The list gives an idea of the rich resources of the Library of the Department of

Forestry at the University of Oxford and should prove a useful reference tool to organizations interested in the subject.

SPECIAL LIBRARIES ASSOCIATION. COMMITTEE OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCE GROUP. Public administration libraries; a manual of practice. Second edition. Chicago: Public Administration Service, 1948. pp. 91. \$2.50.

Prepared with special reference to work in municipal reference libraries, county public administration libraries, legislative reference libraries, libraries in state, regional and federal agencies, citizens' organizations and organizations of public officials. Chapters cover materials and their acquisition; classifica-

tion and cataloguing; physical care of the collection; administration; budgets and finance; standards of service. The book-lists in Chapter II are revised in this edition.

UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL. List of periodicals and other serial publications currently received by the University Library, the City of Liverpool Central and Commercial Reference Libraries, the Liverpool Medical Institution, the Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine. Liverpool: The University Press, 1949. pp. 93. 1s.

The University of Liverpool has done a very useful job in compiling this union list of periodicals received in five of Liverpool's leading libraries. A first, experimental, edition of the list was published in March 1948, but a large number of foreign periodicals which resumed delivery shortly afterwards made it out of date and the opportunity of a new edition was taken to widen the scope to cover other libraries. The present edition contains 2,717 titles.

Recent Papers

*Items marked with an asterisk are not available from the Aslib library.

The documents and publications of international organizations. A. D. ROBERTS. *Review of Documentation*, Vol. 17, Fasc. 1, 1950, pp. 3-17.

Austrian libraries, past and present. JOSEF STUMMVOLL. *Library Quarterly*, Vol. 20, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 33-8.

Public library development in Belgium. LEO SCHEVENHELS. *Library Quarterly*, Vol. 20, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 39-42.

Need of a Special Libraries Association in India. H. N. RANGACHAR. *Indian Librarian*, Vol. 4, No. 3, December 1949, pp. 99-102.

The Public Library service of Italy. F. L. KENT. *Library Association Record*, Vol. 52, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 10-11.

British libraries never looked back. LIONEL R. MCCOLVIN. *Library Journal*, Vol. 75, No. 1, Pt. 1, 1 January 1950, pp. 10-2.

The Unesco Clearing-house for Publications. *Unesco Bulletin for Libraries*, Vol. 4, No. 1, January 1950, text in English and French, pp. 481-7.

The International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry. R. DELABY. *En-deavour*, Vol. 9, No. 33, January 1950, pp. 18-20.

The Chemical Society. J. R. RUCK KERNE. *British Book News*, No. 113, January 1950, pp. 6-8.

The relation between referencing symbols and language. J. E. HOLMSTROM. *Review of Documentation*, Vol. 17, Fasc. 1, 1950, pp. 20-7.

Australian Chemical Abstracts: running an abstracting service. G. J. WYLIE. *Information*, Vol. 3, No. 1, Spring 1949, pp. 7-9.

English-language abstracts of Russian scientific and technical literature. A. L. GUNN. *Information*, Vol. 3, No. 1, Spring 1949, pp. 10-3, 31.

Jerkontorets Litteraturöversikt: resultat av en rundfråga (Result of a questionnaire). EINAR ÖHMAN. *Tidskrift för Dokumentation*, Vol. 5, No. 6, 1949, pp. 67-70. In Swedish.

The Atomic Energy Commission library system: its origin and development. BERNARD M. FRY, I. A. WARHEIT and G. E. RANDALL. *College and Research Libraries*, Vol. 11, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 5-9.

Enoch Pratt reorganized. AMY WINSLOW. *Library Journal*, Vol. 75, No. 1, Pt. 1, 1 January 1950, pp. 13-5.

Harvard's Vocation has attained full stature. FREDERICK C. PACKARD, Jr. *Library Journal*, Vol. 75, No. 2, 15 January 1950, pp. 69-74.

Technical library: Tata Iron and Steel Company, Ltd., Jamshedpur. A. L. SINHA. *Indian Librarian*, Vol. 4, No. 5, December 1949, pp. 93-4.

Library Accessions

UNESCO LIBRARY OF CONGRESS BIBLIOGRAPHICAL SURVEY. Bibliographical services; their present state and possibilities of improvement. Report prepared as a working paper for an international conference on bibliography. Washington: U.S. States Library of Congress, 1950. pp. ix, 67. Free on application to the Publications Section, The Library of Congress, Washington 25, D.C.

HOWELL, HERBERT A. The copyright law: an analysis of the law of the United States governing registration and protection of copyright works, including prints and labels. 2nd ed. Washington: Bureau of National Affairs, Inc., 1943. pp. ix, 302.

LE BOTTIN MONDIAL; annuaire du commerce extérieur, 1947. Paris: Didot-Bottin Directories, Ltd., 1947. pp. viii, 1712. Text in French and English.

Changes of Name, Address, and Aslib Representative

Rayon Industry Design Centre: now Regent 7446. Mrs. M. Javanaud succeeds Mr. Paul-Jones.

Miss C. T. Savary: now 105 Great Russell Street, W.C.1.

Miss L. M. Johnson: now 2 Tudor Close, Cheam, Surrey.

John Innes Horticultural Institution: Miss J. M. Petersen succeeds Miss Behr.

National Benzole Association: Mr. G. Claxton succeeds Mr. W. H. Hoffert.

Mr. James D. Young: now County Branch Library, Town Hall, Warsop, Notts.

Miss E. A. Schoendorff: now c/o United Nations, Box 686, Great Neck, L.I., New York, U.S.A.

Mr. R. Irani: now 22 Gledhow Park Grove, Leeds, 7.

Ministry of Supply T.P.A.3/T.I.B.: now Thames House South, Millbank, S.W.1.

Members' Advertisements

Periodicals Required

Journal of Research of the National Bureau of Standards (U.S.A.), January issue 1949: Write Technical Library—North Western Gas Board—Liverpool Group, Radiant House, Bold Street, Liverpool, 1.

Situations Vacant

Junior Library Assistant (Female), age 16-18. Time off for Library Association classes; 5-day week; canteen. Apply in writing to Secretary, British Non-Ferrous Metals Research Association, Euston Street, N.W.1.

British Transport Commission: Applications are invited for the post of Woman Librarian in the Chief Research Officer's Department of the Commission at St. Pancras Chambers, London. The selected candidate, who will have to establish and operate a Scientific and Technical Library, should possess a recognized qualification in librarianship and have experience in dealing with scientific and technical documents. A knowledge of German or French desirable. Commencing salary is 155s. per week, rising by two biennial increments to 164s. Applications, stating date of birth, qualifications, previous experience, present post and salary, together with any other relevant information, should be sent to the Principal Staff Officer, British Transport Commission, 55 Broadway, London, S.W.1, to arrive not later than 19th April, 1950. The selected candidate will, where eligible, be required to join a Contributory Superannuation Scheme, and in this respect to comply with whatever provisions are decided upon later for the staff of the Commission as a whole.

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Document Reproduction Service

Most members will be aware that the future of this service has been under serious consideration for some time. It has now been decided to continue the service for the use of members, though with modifications in procedure which should speed up the service and with a new scale of charges for microfilm more in line with prices ruling outside.

The new arrangements will come into effect on 1st June. It is very much regretted that no new orders can be accepted between now and 31st May. All individual items ordered on or after 1st June must be submitted on a requisition form to be obtained from Aslib, price 2s. 6d. for single forms, or in convenient books, price 10s. 0d., £1, and £5. This fee is intended to cover the cost of search for the documents to be copied and will only be returnable in very exceptional circumstances.

Charges for photostats will remain unaltered, i.e. they will be based on the cost to Aslib plus 25 per cent for postage, packing, etc. (minimum charge 2s. 6d.). The rate for microfilms will be 5d. a page for the first twenty pages of an article, and 4d. a page thereafter. There will be a minimum charge of 2s. 6d. but no surcharge.

Members may send orders for single requisition forms or books of forms to Aslib, 4 Palace Gate, London, W.8, as soon as they wish. Orders should be accompanied by a cash remittance.

Bibliographical Survey

A small Aslib working party has been set up under the chairmanship of Miss Barbara Kyle, in connection with the Unesco-Library of Congress Bibliographical Survey which is to be discussed at a special Unesco conference in Paris in December. The survey shows the social sciences in particular to be pitifully ill-provided with documentation services. It is hoped that the working party will be able to produce a factual statement of the services which do exist in this field in Britain.

Besides the report of the working party mentioned above, Aslib has been invited to submit its views on the Survey as a whole to a meeting of interested parties, to be held in London in the latter half of June. Members who would care to contribute their opinions are requested to write to the Director for a copy of the Survey. Only limited numbers are available, so very early application is desirable.

Aslib Annual Conference, 1950

This year's Conference arrangements are progressing smoothly, thanks to the tireless work of the Conference and Meetings Committee. It is to be regretted that the week-end chosen, 22nd-25th Sept., immediately follows the Library Association (Centenary) Annual Conference, but we hope that delegates attending both functions will be able to reach Bristol in time for the Reception of the Aslib Conference by the Vice-Chancellor of the University on the Friday evening.

Accommodation is being reserved at Wills Hall and Manor Hall. Registration forms will be available in good time and applications will be accepted strictly in order of receipt. Members, other than those from overseas, are requested not to make provisional application.

Bristol Index of Plays

The Public Libraries of Bristol, where the Aslib Annual Conference will be held this year, have published for private circulation an *Index of Plays available in the Bristol Public Libraries* of over 200 pages, mimeographed. Each play is entered in the index under the name of its author and under its title, and all entries are arranged in one alphabetical sequence. Author entries show the number of acts and characters. Sets of plays are generally available for play reading or production purposes. The entire work, including binding, was done within the Libraries. The Aslib Library is fortunate in having been presented with a copy.

The Bristol Public Libraries hold an important collection of books on drama and the theatre. The books deal with dramatic history from the earliest times to the present day, and with criticism and commentary on the works of playwrights of many countries. The material relating to English drama ranges from medieval, Elizabethan, Restoration and eighteenth-century to modern times. Gifts which supplement the much larger number of volumes in the general stock of the City Libraries are the John Williams Collection, presented to the Reference Library in 1918, containing 700 volumes on Shakespeare, and a recent donation to the City of the Clifton Shakespeare Society's Library of nearly 1,000 works.

Ramifying Keywords

A system of classification based on standardized keywords in Esperanto was advocated in a paper presented by Dr. J. E. Holmstrom on 14th March, to the British Esperantist Scientific Association. The paper was entitled "Internationalization of Subject Index Heads".

The U.D.C., said Dr. Holmstrom, had defects as well as merits. Satisfactory results could be obtained by describing each item to be filed in terms of "ramifying keywords", each of which would express a particularization of the idea conveyed by the one on its left as do the successive decimal places in a numerical system. He had for many years used that method for filing his personal notes and suggested that, if the keywords were standardized, it could be applied to a wider range of purposes. Conceivably, it might be internationalized by adopting keywords in Esperanto and these might be made to serve as a bridge between definitions of their meanings in different national languages, thereby helping to standardize terminology and interlingual equivalents.

To shorten the keywords and make them easier to code on punched cards the vowels might be omitted, as in the Russell system which had been developed in the U.S.A. to obviate difficulties in indexing surnames of mixed national origins.

French Who's Who

It has just been announced that a very useful reference work will shortly appear in France. This is the *Dictionnaire biographique francais contemporain*. Paris: Pharos. 1,850 frs. It will be cloth bound, illustrated, in octavo, and about 500 pages. Previous similar works, the *Dictionnaire national des contemporains* (3 vols., 1938) and the *Qui êtes-vous* (1924) are both out of print.

Sovetskaja Kniga

We have recently entered into an exchange arrangement with the Academy of Sciences of the U.S.S.R. and hope to receive regularly copies of *Sovetskaja Kniga: ezemesjačnyi kritiko-bibliografijaeskii žurnal* (The Soviet Book). We have already received the issues of this monthly journal for January and February, 1950. The journal is published entirely in Russian and is divided into the following sections: Leading Article; Reviews of Physics and Mathematics, Chemistry, Geology and Geography, Biology, Technology, History and Philosophy, Psychology, Pedagogy, Historical Sciences, Economics and Law, Literature and Language, Art; and a final section on New Books classified under the same headings as the Reviews.

Mrs. J. Lancaster-Jones

We greatly regret the wrong impression that some readers have formed due to the unfortunate overcondensation of the note on the British Council under the heading "Changes of name, address and Aslib representative" on page 8 of *Aslib Information* for February, 1950. When Mrs. Lancaster-Jones was transferred from "Book Reviews" to the "Science Department" she carried her Aslib representation with her. It was then agreed that the "Books Department", with Mr. Barnicott as the Aslib representative, should become a separate and additional member of Aslib. Mrs. Lancaster-Jones, we are happy to state, continues to act as the Aslib representative of the "Science Department" of the British Council.

Junior Training Course

As announced in last month's *Bulletin*, the Junior Training Course will take place from 15th-20th May, at Chaucer House, Malet Place, W.C.1. The Library Association has again put Council and Members' Rooms and catering facilities at our disposal.

The libraries to be visited during the course are: The B.B.C. Gramophone Library, The Bank of England Library, British Export Trade Research Organization, *The Daily Mail*, The Imperial War Museum, The Institute of Bankers, The House of Commons Library, Hulton Press *Picture Post* Library, Kodak Limited Research Laboratory Library, The L.C.C. Education Library, The Medical Research Council Library, The Ministry of Education Library, The Ministry of Town and Country Planning Library, The Mond Nickel Company Library, The Patent Office Library, The Royal Institution Library, St. Marylebone Public Library, The Science Museum Library, Standard Telephones & Cables Limited, *The Times* Reference Library, The Warburg Institute, and Westminster Reference and Music Libraries.

Special Library Examinations

The appearance in the *Library Association Record* for February of specimen papers in special library subjects for the L.A. Final examinations, and the publication in these columns in March of details regarding courses which are to be provided in 1950/51 in preparation for these papers in London and the Home Counties, has given added stimulus to ideas about the provision of these courses, both full-time and part-time, in the country generally.

The Director would be glad to know how extensive the demand for courses of this nature is at present. He would be grateful if members who would like to take such a course, if one were available in their area, would let him know as soon as possible—whether they intended taking the examination at the end of it or not.

Periodicals in London Libraries

The second edition of the L.A. London and Home Counties Branch Reference Group's *Union list of periodicals in London Public Libraries* will be ready later this year. It will record the holdings, permanent and temporary, of periodicals in 231 branch and central libraries, and coverage will be complete for the Metropolitan Police District. Full entries will show date of first publication (and of last volume if "dead"), place of publication, and principal title changes, etc. The list will probably be printed by photo-litho offset from typescript to keep the cost as low as possible. It will probably be sold at between 15s. and £1 a copy.

The committee is anxious to estimate at this stage how many copies are likely to be required, and librarians (especially those of non-public libraries) are urged to send a note to the secretary of the Group, Mr. K. A. Mallaber, at 20 Colin Park Road, Hendon, London, N.W.9, saying how many copies they are likely to buy.

Public Technical Libraries

The Reference Group of the London and Home Counties Branch of the Library Association has invited Aslib members to a meeting at the Library Association, Chaucer House, Malet Place, W.C.1, on 16th May, at 6.30 p.m. Mr. W. Pearson, A.L.A., Librarian of the

Ministry of Town and Country Planning, and formerly Technical Librarian, Birmingham Public Libraries, will speak on "Work in a public technical library".

Library of Congress Subject Catalog

The Library of Congress is planning to publish a subject list to match the author list, which it has issued since January, 1947, of works currently catalogued by itself and by other American libraries participating in the U.S. co-operative cataloguing scheme. The continuance of the project on a permanent footing will depend upon the demand for the new cumulative subject catalogue, and members who are likely to be interested would be well advised to examine the printed prospectus (obtainable from the Library of Congress, Washington) as early as possible.

The full title is to be "The Library of Congress Subject Catalog, a cumulative list of works represented by Library of Congress printed cards", and the catalogue will at first be published in three quarterly issues with an annual cumulation. The rates will be \$100 for the first, and \$50 for each subsequent subscription by any subscriber. Sample pages are reproduced in actual size in the prospectus.

Aslib Proceedings

As indicated in the *Bulletin* last month the Membership List issue of *Aslib Proceedings* is likely to be delayed. Rather than hold up publication of the 1949 Conference number it has been decided to reverse the numbering of these two parts. The 1949 Conference report will therefore be Vol. I Part 3, and the Aslib Membership List Vol. I Part 4 of *Aslib Proceedings*.

Sir Cuthbert Whitaker

Members who remember the dry wit of the paper Sir Cuthbert Whitaker gave at the 1948 Annual Conference will particularly regret his death on April 4th, at the age of 76. He had been editor of *Whitaker's Almanack* since the death of his father, the founder, in 1895.

Book Notes

CARL I. WHEAT. The first one hundred years of Yankee California. Address at the opening of the Library of Congress California Centennial Exhibit, 1st November, 1949. Washington, D.C.: U.S. Library of Congress, 1949, 24 pp. On sale from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington 25, D.C. \$1.00.

An attractively produced booklet giving an outline of California's development. The frontispiece shows a view of San Francisco reproduced from Vol. 1 of William Redmond Ryan's *Personal Adventures in Upper and Lower California* in 1848-49, from which it appears that the ox-wagon was still the normal means of transport and that the Chinese had already established themselves in the locality.

W. JUNK. 50 Jahre Antiquar. Ein nachgelassenes Manuskript herausgegeben von A. C. Klooster und W. Wesibach. The Hague, Uitgeverij Dr. W. Junk, 1949. 431 pp.

As far back as 1939 Dr. Wilhelm Junk, the specialist in antiquarian scientific

books, had announced that he was writing a book which would gather together his fifty years of experience in his particular field. Unfortunately he died in 1942 before its publication and its issue has now been supervised by Frau Angenita C. Klooster and Dr. W. Weisbach. The book, which is in German, consists of an autobiographical introduction, followed by a number of short papers on many aspects of the antiquarian book-trade.

BRITISH ASSOCIATION FOR COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION. Report on Junior Colleges in Scotland. London: The Association, 174 Sloane Street, S.W.1, 1950. 55 pp. 1s. 6d.

Deals with the aims, objectives and main lines of organization of Junior Colleges to be set up under the Scottish Education Act of 1946. The Junior Colleges are the Scottish counterpart of the County Colleges which are to be set up in England under the Education Act of 1944. The report was drawn up by a special Scottish Committee under the chairmanship of Mr. J. B. Frizell, Director of Education, Edinburgh.

Recent Papers

An asterisk indicates that the document is not available from the Aslib Library.

We regret the accident by which, due to pressure on space in the March and April issues of the "*Bulletin*", references to items appearing in the same issue of a periodical have, in a few instances, been printed in separate lists of "Recent Papers".

The survey of bibliographical services. *Unesco Bulletin for Libraries*, Vol. 4, No. 2, February 1950, English and French text, pp. 521-29.

International bibliographical planning: report on the Unesco Library of Congress Bibliographical Survey. ARNE J. MOLLER and NUD LARSEN. *Review of Documentation*, Vol. 17, fasc. 2, 1950, pp. 41-3.

The registry in international organizations. J. PIETERSE. *Review of Documentation*, Vol. 17, fasc. 2, 1950, pp. 43-50.

The Fulbright exchange program in operation. CHARLES E. ODEGAARD. *A.C.L.S. Newsletter*, Vol. 1, No. 3, December 1949, pp. 1-14.

Social science research in Britain. ROY F. NICHOLS. *Items*, Vol. 3, No. 4, December 1949, pp. 37-41.

Aslib has a Silver Jubilee conference. IVOR B. N. EVANS. *Special Libraries*, Vol. 41, No. 2, February 1950, pp. 60-2.

Central Board of Irrigation Library and Information Bureau. Pt. GYAN CHAND. *Indian Librarian*, Vol. 4, No. 3, December 1949, pp. 95-8.

Benares Hindu University Library: technical and research facilities in the university library. Pt. D. SUBRAMANYAM. *Indian Librarian*, Vol. 4, No. 3, December 1949, pp. 102-6.

State Electricity Commission technical libraries. D. H. GARRETT. *Information*, Vol. 3, No. 1, Spring 1949, pp. 15-7.

The M.M.B.W. (Melbourne and Metropolitan Board of Works) Technical Information Section. W. J. DAVY and P. BURBIDGE. *Information*, Vol. 3, No. 1, Spring 1949, pp. 18-22.

New Members

Since the list published in the February issue of this bulletin, the following have been elected to membership of Aslib.

Admiralty (Naval Construction Dept.) (Bath)	A. N. Harrison
Anderson, H. S. (London)	
Cambridge Public Libraries	W. A. Munford, M.B.E., B.Sc., F.L.A.
Chibnall, B., B.Sc. (London)	
Macfarlane, Miss M. (London)	
Michaelis, Dr. A. R. (Sydney, N.S.W.)	
Montgomeryshire County Library	Glyn Davies, A.L.A., F.R.S.A.
Ridsdale, P. D. (Middlesbrough)	
Riley Dodds Australia Ltd. (Melbourne, Australia)	W. R. Pullar, B.Mech.E.
Sabet, A. A. (Cairo)	
Seppanen, E. K. (Finland)	
Twced, T. W. (Canada)	
Unesco Libraries (Paris)	Dr. H. Coblans, M.Sc.
Walford, Dr. A. J. (North Wembley)	
West Indies University College Library (Jamaica, B.W.I.)	H. Holdsworth

Formation professionnelle de bibliothécaires et documentalistes, Pt. II. S. BRIET. *Review of Documentation*, Vol. 17, Fasc. 1, 1950, pp. 18-9.

The obligations and responsibilities of the librarian concerning censorship. LEON CARNOVSKY. *Library Quarterly*, Vol. 20, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 21-32.

The qualifications of university librarians, 1948 and 1953. JOE W. KRAUS. *College and Research Libraries*, Vol. 11, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 17-21.

Historical libraries—new style. WILLIAM JEROME WILSON. *College and Research Libraries*, Vol. 11, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 54-62, 68.

First things first: an evaluation of library processes. WILLIAM B. RATON. *Library Association Record*, Vol. 52, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 2-7.

Principles to be considered in planning and operating a functional technical reference library. JUANITA H. HUFORD. *Special Libraries*, Vol. 41, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 9-13, 36.

The value to the modern library of a technical services department. EDWIN B. COLBURN. *College and Research Libraries*, Vol. 11, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 47-53.

How to tell your story to management. WILLIAM S. BARBER. *Special Libraries*, Vol. 41, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 14-9.

Personnelisms. ROBERT C. SALE. *Special Libraries*, Vol. 41, No. 1, January 1950, pp. 20-3.

Hur läser företagsledare? Kring en Amerikansk läsvaneundersökning. (How does an executive read? On an American investigation of reading habits.) EINAR SELANDER. *Tidskrift för Dokumentation*, Vol. 5, No. 6, 1949, pp. 71-2. In Swedish.

Library education on trial. ERNEST A. SAVAGE. *Library Review*, Spring 1950, No. 93, pp. 276-80.

Revised syllabus: specimen examination papers. *Library Association Record*, Vol. 52, No. 2, February 1950, pp. 69-73.

A flexoline record of serial holdings. ALTON H. KELLER. *Library of Congress Information Bulletin*, Vol. 9, No. 3, 16 January 1950, pp. 21-3.

A duplicate exchange service for medical libraries. *Library Association Record*, Vol. 52, No. 2, February 1950, pp. 41-3.

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Annual General Meeting

Well over 100 members attended the 1950 Annual General Meeting, held on 26th April, at the Cora Hotel, Upper Woburn Place, London, W.C.1, with Mr. C. Le Maistre, C.B.E., in the Chair.

The Treasurer's Report

The meeting opened at 4 p.m. with a report on the accounts for 1949 by the Honorary Treasurer, Mr. J. E. Wright, who explained that the form of the accounts departed from precedent in that a proportion of salaries, and administrative and overhead expenses had been allocated to the various departments. The Publications section showed a surplus for the year of £183, the Document Reproduction service a deficit of £769, and the Library and Information Bureau a deficit of £1,899. New scales of charges for the supply of microfilm copies by the Document Reproduction service were to be put into effect on 1st June, and this should lead to a healthier financial condition in that department. Expenditure on new library equipment was expected to lead to considerably better service to members. The accounts were adopted unanimously.

A motion from the Chair was adopted unanimously that the thanks of the Association should be formally expressed to the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research for its continued interest in Aslib's work and for its generous financial support.

The Secretary's Report

Mr. Woledge, the Honorary Secretary, reported on the work of the period under discussion and paid a tribute to the retiring Director, Miss E. M. R. Ditmas, who had been to a large extent responsible for the growth of Aslib over a period of sixteen years. In reply, Miss Ditmas stated that this was definitely her last appearance on the platform, though she was happy to continue giving such help as she could from time to time. The Council's report was adopted unanimously.

The Director

Mr. Leslie Wilson, the new Director, who was then introduced by the chairman, said that in spite of the

short time during which he had been in the service of Aslib, he already felt himself to be firmly wedded to its high purposes, and looked forward to the day when, on the sure foundations laid by Miss Ditmas, a still more active Aslib would be built.

Officers

Members will be pleased to learn that Dr. Percy Dunsheath, C.B.E., M.A., D.Sc., M.I.E.E., has kindly consented to continue to serve as President of Aslib for 1950, and that Mr. J. E. Wright and Mr. G.

Woledge are to continue in the offices of Honorary Treasurer and Honorary Secretary. The Vice-Presidents hold office for three years, and no election was therefore necessary in the case of these appointments. The result of the postal ballot for the ten vacant places on Council was as follows:

D. V. Arnold, Esq.
(I.C.I. Ltd., Paints Division).

W. Ashworth, Esq.
(British Nylon Spinners Ltd.)

Dr. Wilfred Bonser, (University of Birmingham).

R. Brightman, Esq. (I.C.I. Ltd., Dyestuffs Division).

R. L. W. Collison, Esq. (Westminster Reference Library).

A. E. Cummins, Esq. (The Chemical Society).

J. J. Eaton, Esq. (The *Evening News*).

Miss M. Exley (Boots Pure Drug Co., Ltd.)

E. R. McColvin, Esq. (The Polytechnic).

D. V. E. Parke (I.C.I. Ltd., Billingham Division).

The Council now consists of the above officers and newly-elected members and the following, who remain in office:

A. B. Agard Evans, Esq. (Ministry of Works Library).

G. Ellis Flack, Esq. (University of Nottingham).

B. Fullman, Esq. (British Non-Ferrous Metals R.A.).

Miss M. Gosset (Atomic Energy Research Est.)

L. M. Harrod, Esq. (Islington Public Library).

T. M. Herbert, Esq. (Railway Executive, London Midland Region, Euston Station).

R. H. Hill, Esq. (National Central Library).

H. Hyams, Esq. (The Shell Petroleum Co., Ltd.).

F. L. Kent, Esq. (University of Bristol).

Miss Barbara Kyle (Royal Institute of International Affairs).

J. P. Lamb, Esq. (Sheffield Public Libraries).

Mrs. J. Lancaster-Jones (British Council).

A Message from Miss Ditmas

Those who were at the presentation on 26th April will know how deeply I appreciate the kindness of those who combined to give me such a wonderful parting gift. There were, however, many others who could not be there and to all these I take this opportunity to extend my thanks. The tooled leather blotter will always be a delight and an inspiration both in work and leisure and the generous cheque, which would lose its purpose if not eventually spent, has been given a warmth and enduring life through the ingenious scrapbook made by Miss Turnbull from the signatures and good wishes cut from the letters accompanying the contributions. To all my friends in Aslib I say with heart-felt sincerity, thank you.

C. Le Maistre, Esq. (General Secretary I.E.C., and Consultant I.S.O.)
 O. W. Pendleton, Esq. (Chartered Insurance Institute).
 A. H. Raine, Esq. (Brotherton & Co., Ltd.).
 Dr. R. S. Schultze (Kodak Ltd.).
 Miss I. Shrigley (The Institute of Bankers).
 J. F. Stanley, Esq. (British Standards Institution).
 Miss L. G. Thomerson (P.A.T.R.A.).
 Dr. H. G. Thornton (Rothamsted Experimental Station).
 H. J. Watling, Esq. (W. T. Henley's Telegraph Works Co., Ltd.).

Mr. T. M. Herbert moved, and Miss L. G. Thomerson seconded, a motion that Messrs. West & Drake be appointed Auditors for the coming year at a fee of £52 10s. Mr. Hyams, supported by Mr. Agard Evans, moved that the meeting express its appreciation of the devoted service of the Chairman, the Honorary Secretary, and the Honorary Treasurer; and the chairman moved that appreciation be expressed of the work of the office staff under particularly trying conditions. These motions were passed with acclamation.

Presentation to Miss Ditmas

Formal business over, the meeting adjourned for tea in the Winter Garden. The evening concluded with a delightful ceremony at which the President, Dr. Dunsheath, presented to Miss Ditmas a blotter made of antique tooled-leather, a scrap-book of letters of appreciation from members, and a cheque for £150. In her acceptance, Miss Ditmas expressed her deep gratitude for the gift and said how glad she was that, though she had now retired from the Directorship, it has been possible to make an arrangement by which she was continuing to carry out certain *ad hoc* work for Aslib on a part-time basis, at least till the end of the year.

A Dictionary of Colours

The British Colour Council's most recent publication is the *Dictionary of Colours for Interior Decoration* in three volumes. Volumes 1 and 2 show illustrations of 378 colours. These "illustrations" are not prints but actual samples mounted on the loose-leaf pages to show the effect of each colour on matt and glossy paint and pile fabric surfaces. Volume 3 contains an index of over 500 names cross-referenced to the colours illustrated in the previous volumes. An added interest of this section of the dictionary lies in the annotations to each colour name, indicating its origin and the date from which it was standardized or came into general use. Thus among other information the note on Cambridge Blue tells us that this colour "is supposed to be the same as Eton Blue, the latter dating from the fifteenth century and being adopted by Cambridge in 1836" while of Mauve we read that "this name was given to the first coal-tar dye discovered by Perkin in 1856". Each colour has a distinctive number so that it would be possible for a client to refer by cable or letter to a specific shade without any risk of confusion.

The compilation of the dictionary was begun in 1939 when it was apparent that the needs of the interior decoration trades could not be wholly satisfied by the Council's *Dictionary of Colour Standards*, published in 1934, in which the bias had been towards colours for textiles and wearing apparel. The war slowed down the work for which much research had to be carried out in museums and art collections by Mr. F. Wilson,

the Art Director, and Miss B. K. Battersby, the Studio Director, and their staff.

The dictionary is available from the British Colour Council, 13 Portman Square, London, W.1, price 12 guineas to purchasers in the United Kingdom.

Out-of-print Periodicals

At the Third Session of its General Conference in 1948 Unesco was instructed to devise a means for the reproduction of out-of-print periodicals. For the present, attention is being directed to the reproduction of out-of-print issues of the following periodicals: *Nature*, *Architectural Review*, *The Economist*, *Revue générale des sciences pures et appliquées*, *Journal of Experimental Medicine*, *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, and the *Review of Economic Statistics*.

Libraries concerned to secure out-of-print issues of the above publications should write direct to the Libraries Division of Unesco, stating exactly which issues they need. The price of each issue will be the same as originally set by the publisher.

We have seen a sample reproduction of *The Economist*. For the sake of economy and convenience the original size of the issue is retained, but four pages are placed on each page instead of one. By adopting this method the reproduced issue can be bound in volumes matching the original issues and the cost kept as near as possible to the original price of 1s.

Universal Decimal Classification

Critics of the U.D.C. are reminded that the British Standards Institution, as the body responsible for the fourth (English) edition, cannot introduce fundamental modifications or extensions in the schedules, except by international agreement through the Federation Internationale de Documentation at The Hague.

Constructive proposals, however, will at all times be welcomed, especially for improving English translation and terminology and should be submitted, not to Aslib or the F.I.D., but to the British Standards Institution, 24-28 Victoria Street, London, S.W.1, quoting the reference OC/20/4.

Area Bibliographies

The Festival of Britain Organization is considering issuing short bibliographies for certain areas in the United Kingdom. It is proposed that a sample bibliography be prepared on East Anglia, and publishers have been invited to submit titles under the following headings: Agriculture, Archaeology, Architecture, Geography, Geology, History and Folklore, Industry, Natural History, Planning and Development, Sport, General. Standard works of reference now out of print but available in libraries will probably be included under a separate heading.

ISO President

M. Caquot (France) has been elected President of the Organization for Standardization (ISO) in succession to Mr. Howard Coonley (U.S.A.).

M. Caquot has had a distinguished career as a civil engineer. His achievements include the construction of the Madeleine Bridge at Nantes, the Lafayette Bridge in Paris, and the Pont de la Caille in Haute-Savoie, the construction of which constitutes the world's record in reinforced concrete.

Musica Britannica

A national collection of the classics of British music will be published under the auspices of the Royal Musical Association with the support of the Arts Council of Great Britain to mark the Festival of Britain. It will consist of 30 volumes under the title *Musica Britannica*.

Professor Edward J. Dent, Dr. G. H. Fellowes, Mr. Frank Howes, Professor Anthony Lewis and Professor J. A. Westrupp will form the editorial committee with Mr. R. Thurston Dart as secretary. The first three volumes will be the *Mulliner Book*, a unique collection of early Tudor keyboard music, edited by Mr. Denis Stevens; Shelley's masque *Cupid and Death*, with music by Matthew Locke and Christopher Gibbons, edited by Professor Dent; and Arne's music to Milton's *Comus*, edited by Mr. Julian Herbage.

School Library Review

The *School Library Review*, under the title *The School Library Review & Educational Record*, will recommence publication at the beginning of the next summer term. The publishers are Garraway, Ltd., 37a Kensington High Street, W.8.

Printing and Graphic Arts

Since 1st September, 1949, the London School of Printing and Kindred Trades, Stamford Street, S.E.1, and the School of Photo-engraving and Lithography, Bolt Court, E.C.4, have been amalgamated in one organization under one governing body. The name of the combined school is now the *London School of Printing and Graphic Arts*.

Guildhall Library

All Guildhall Reference Library books which have been in storage since the Library was damaged in 1940 have now been brought back. Sorting will occupy many months, but further sets of periodicals, whole or partial, are now available. These include:

Illustrated London News from 1842.

London Gazette from 1665.

Times Literary Supplement from 1906.

Stock Exchange Daily List from July, 1889.

A catalogue of overseas directories was published in January.

Photographic Library

The need for economy in expenditure of public money and the growing use that is being made of the Council of Industrial Design's Photographic Library have made it necessary for the Council to charge for certain services. In future, loans in the U.K. will be charged at the rate of 5s. for up to 20 prints for a period of four weeks. Prints may be purchased outright for 5s. Photographs issued to overseas publications and their representatives in the U.K. must be purchased outright at 5s. each. The library contains approximately 20,000 different photographs illustrating industrial design.

Scottish Branch Conference

The Scottish Branch Conference, planned for 14th April, has had to be postponed, owing to the smallpox epidemic. It is hoped to hold the meeting some time in June. Particulars will be available from Mrs. Spence, the Branch Secretary.

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Contains summaries in non-technical language of the legal effects of the 440 Public Laws enacted during the first session of the eighty-first Congress. The entries are arranged in chronological order and cover the period 18th January to 1st November, 1949. An index is supplied.

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Mrs. Lancaster-Jones: now 189 Court House Road, Maidenhead.

Production Engineering Research Association of Great Britain: now Staveley Lodge, Melton Mowbray, Leics.

International Wool Secretariat: Miss V. F. George succeeds Mr. D. R. Wilson.

Dr. D. J. Urquhart: now 40 Beckingham Road, Guildford, Surrey.

Laporte B. Ltd.: now Laporte Chemicals Ltd., 25 George Street, Luton, Beds. Tel.: Luton 4390.

Polish Book Research Institute: now absorbed in Biblioteka Narodowa, Ul. Rakowiecka 6, Warsaw, Poland. Representative: W. Bienkowski, Director.

Cox, J. S., M.A.: now 32 Durdham Park, Bristol, 6.

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Institution of Gas Engineers: now 17 Grosvenor Crescent, S.W.1.

Robinson, Henry G.: School of Agriculture, Sutton Bonington, Loughborough, Leics.

Wigmore, Miss E.: now Librarian, World Health Organization, Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland.

National Benzole Association: Miss J. D. Witt succeeds Mr. G. Claxton.

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D.S.I.R. Grant

In response to the vote of thanks to the D.S.I.R. for its financial support and continued interest in the work of Aslib, which was passed unanimously at the Annual General Meeting, the Director has received the following letter from the Secretary of the Industrial Grants Committee of the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research :

On behalf of my Committee, I have to thank you for your letter of 27th April, expressing your thanks for the continued interest of the Committee in the work of Aslib. I can assure you of the anxiety of the Committee that Aslib shall be fully equipped to carry out the very important services which it can render to its membership.

President and Mrs. Dunsheath "At Home"

Much may have happened at 4 Palace Gate since last December, when Aslib formally took over from the Ministry of Works, but no one could say that the transmigration from Bloomsbury was complete until our new abode had been suitably blessed in the time-honoured tradition of the English "housewarming". In keeping with their customary practical interest in the Association's affairs, the President and Mrs. Dunsheath generously made such a ceremony possible and, on 11th May, members of Council, the office staff and a distinguished company of guests were received by them and entertained to tea in the library.

Among those present were Sir Harry Lindsay, one of our four Vice-Presidents, Mr. G. J. Robbins of the Church Benefit Society (our landlords) and Miss G. Rattenbury of the Invalid Children's Aid Association (co-occupier of 4 Palace Gate), Mr. P. J. S. Welsford, Mr. E. Alan Baker and Mr. K. Garside of the Library Association, Mr. F. Sugden of the G.P.O., Mr. W. N. Whittle, Aslib's most helpful Bank Manager, and Mr. H. G. Massey, Borough Librarian of Kensington. Mr. C. A. Spencer and Dr. Alexander King, of the D.S.I.R., Dr. Martin of the Royal Society, Sir Richard Gregory, Sir Henry Tizard, and Mr. L. J. F. Brimble, Editor of *Nature*, were among those who were unfortunately not able to come.

Chairman of Council

All members will wish to join in congratulating Mr. H. Hyams, of The Shell Petroleum Co., Ltd., on his election to be Chairman of Council for the current year. He faces a strenuous twelve months in office, but his sterling service to Aslib in the past, and particularly his indefatigable efforts as chairman of the Conference and Meetings Committee, make it quite clear that he will not be found wanting.

The occasion of Mr. Hyam's election must not be allowed to pass without a sincere tribute to the wise guidance provided by Mr. C. le Maistre in that office up to the present time. Much of his work for Aslib has been done unobtrusively behind the scenes, but his colleagues on the Council are fully aware of the extent of his contribution during the period of the birth pangs of the new Aslib. Happily, Mr. le Maistre's retirement from the Chair does not mean the complete loss of his services; he remains a member of Council.

Dr. V. E. Parke, of the Billingham Division of I.C.I., Ltd., has been re-elected Vice-Chairman of Council for the current year, and will automatically become a member of the Executive and Finance Committee.

Two newcomers to Council will be warmly welcomed. They are Dr. D. G. Brown, of the Nobel Division of I.C.I., Ltd., and Chairman of the Scottish Branch of Aslib, and Mr. F. C. Francis, of the British Museum. Both have been invited to serve by Council under the provisions of Article 17.

Committee Elections

As members will already know, all standing committees of the Association formally tender their resignations prior to the Annual General Meeting each year. At the first meeting of the newly elected Council on 11th May, 1950, the following were elected to serve on committees as shown :

Executive and Finance Committee :

The Chairman of Council
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The committees themselves are, of course, free to co-opt additional members within the limits prescribed by Article 27 (p) and would doubtless be glad to hear from members who are particularly interested in the work of the Committees and are anxious to serve the Association in this way.

To Represent Aslib

Mrs. J. Lancaster-Jones, of the Science Division of the British Council, has been appointed Aslib's fourth representative on the Council of the British Union Catalogue of Periodicals.

The Director has been asked to represent the Association on the Librarianship Sub-committee of the London and Home Counties Regional Academic Board.

Junior Training Course

The training course for newcomers to special library and information work was attended by some seventy students from all over Great Britain. Thanks to the never-failing co-operation of the Library Association, the lectures were again held at Chaucer House, where the excellent catering facilities were also available for tea each day.

The subjects and particulars of the lecturers were given in *Aslib Information*, No. 112 (March 1950), though the title of Miss Jacobs's lecture was subsequently changed to "The organisation of library material—A place for everything and everything in its place."

To those librarians who arranged visits for our students we wish to express our appreciation and thanks. They were :

Miss V. Britten (B.B.C. Gramophone Library), Mr. G. O. Randle (Bank of England Reference Library), Mrs. D. Abrahams (British Export Trade Research Organization), Miss R. Welsford (Courtauld Institute of Art), Mrs. M. Lindsay (*Daily Mail*), Mr. H. S. Hyland (House of Commons Research Library), Mrs. M. Parrish (*Picture Post* Library), Mr. L. P. Yates-Smith and Mr. J. Charge (Imperial War Museum and Photographic Library), Dr. R. S. Schultze (Kodak Ltd., Research Laboratory Library), Mr. H. R. Mainwood (L.C.C. Education Library), Miss Jeannette Taylor (Medical Research Council Library), Miss P. M. Downie (Ministry of Education, Information and General Branch), Mr. F. W. Gravell (Patent Office), Mr. Ralph Cory (The Royal Institution), Mr. Geoffrey Stephens (St. Marylebone Public Library), Mr. H. T.

Pledge (Science Museum Library), Mr. V. L. Rastorgoueff (Standard Telephones & Cables, Ltd.), Mr. J. S. Maywood (*The Times* Reference Library), Mr. C. H. Talbot (Warburg Institute), Mr. L. R. McColvin and Mr. R. L. Collison (Westminster Reference and Music Libraries).

A special word of thanks is extended to the Directors of Kočak, Ltd., and Standard Telephones & Cables, Ltd., who invited the students to luncheon in their canteens at the close of the visits ; to Mr. Chibnall, who not only gave an excellent talk, but acted as guide to library visits on each day ; and to all those librarians who spared still further time by coming to tea with the students.

As the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman of the Education Committee stressed in their opening and closing remarks, we welcome comments and constructive criticism, so that each year we may profit by any suggestions and make each succeeding course better than its predecessor. The Education Committee is also interested in suggestions for subjects and lectures.

International Library Committee Meeting

The sixteenth meeting of the International Library Committee of Library Associations will be held in London from the 15th to the 18th September, at Chaucer House, Malet Place, W.C.1.

Unesco Coupon Scheme

Burma and Belgium have recently joined the Unesco Coupon Scheme. The countries now participating in the Book Coupon Scheme are : Burma, Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Egypt, France, Hungary, India, Israel, Italy, Netherlands, Switzerland, United Kingdom (including British Colonial and Trust Territories), and U.S.A. Five countries are participating in the Film Coupon Scheme—Belgium, Egypt, India, Switzerland, U.S.A.—and four in the Science Coupon Scheme—Egypt, India, Switzerland, U.S.A.

Kuerschners Deutscher Gelehrten-Kalender 1950

W. de Gruyter, of Berlin, have just published the seventh edition of *Kuerschners Deutscher Gelehrten-Kalender* 1950.

This volume contains the names of 10,000 German scholars and their works published since the last edition in 1941, including papers and treatises. There is an index of scholars arranged according to subject.

Encyklopaedie der Technischen Chemie

Dr. Wilhelm Foerst is editing a new revised third edition of Ullman's *Encyklopaedie der Technischen Chemie* for Urban u. Schwarzenburg of Munich. The first volume will be ready at the end of the year. Publication will continue at the rate of two or three volumes a year until its completion in 13 volumes.

James Joyce Exhibition

The James Joyce Exhibition, opened by Mr. T. S. Eliot on 13th June, at the Institute of Contemporary Arts, 17-18 Dover Street, W.1, is to continue until 12th July. It includes much of the exhibition organized at the Librairie la Hune, Paris, by M. Bernard Gheerbrant, who also mounted the present version.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE 1950

The annual residential conference will be held at Bristol University from 22nd to 25th September 1950.

The following sessions have been arranged:

THE FUTURE OF ASLIB

Speaker: The Director, Leslie Wilson, M.A.

Chairman: The President, Dr. Percy Dunsheath, C.B.E., M.A.

THE LIBRARY RESOURCES OF BRISTOL AND THE SOUTHWEST

Speaker: Mr. F.L.Kent, M.A., Bristol University Librarian

Chairman: Mr. James Ross, M.A., F.L.A., Bristol City Librarian

Visits to libraries have been arranged in connexion with this session.

THE RE-PLANNING AND RE-ORGANIZATION OF LIBRARIES

Speakers: Miss M. Exley, F.L.A., Chief Research Librarian,
Boots Pure Drug Co. (Medical & Scientific Libraries)
Mr. W. Ashworth, B.Sc., F.L.A., A.R.P.S., Librarian,
British Nylons Spinners, Ltd.

Chairman: Mr. J.P.Lamb, F.L.A., Sheffield City Librarian.

THE LITERATURE OF SPECIAL LIBRARIANSHIP

Speaker: Miss E.M.R.Ditmas, M.A., Aslib

Chairman: Mr. Roy Stokes, F.L.A., Director, Loughborough
College School of Librarianship

A small exhibition is being arranged in connexion with this session.

PERSONAL EXPERIENCES AT THE LATE EARL OF LEICESTER'S LIBRARY AT HOLKHAM

Speaker: W. O. Hassall, M.A., D.Phil., F.S.A., Assistant Librarian
The Bodleian

Chairman: Professor David Douglas, Professor of History, Bristol
University.

A visit to the THEATRE ROYAL, Bristol, has been arranged for
Saturday night (200 seats have been reserved).

IMPORTANT NOTE: Provisional bookings will now be accepted for the
Conference, but priorities will be forfeit if the
official application form is not returned within two weeks of its
circulation, which will be early in August.

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International Congress on Mental Health

The prices of the four volumes of Proceedings of the International Congress on Mental Health, London, 1948, have been reduced by half and are now as follows:

- Volume I *History, Development and Organisation of the Congress.* 5s.
Volume II *Proceedings of the International Conference on Child Psychiatry.* 5s.
Volume III *Proceedings of the International Conference on Medical Psychotherapy.* 5s.
Volume IV *Proceedings of the International Conference on Mental Hygiene.* 10s.

Agricultural Periodicals

Mr. F. A. Buttress has compiled a list of "Agricultural Periodicals of the British Isles, 1681-1900" for the School of Agriculture, Cambridge. Copies will shortly be available from the School of Agriculture at 2s. post free.

Scientific Computing Service

The Scientific Computing Service, Ltd., has produced a pamphlet describing its activities, equipment and staff. This service, started in 1937, is mainly concerned with scientific calculations, table making, Fourier analysis and Fourier synthesis, survey calculations, etc. It advises on the purchase and use of calculating machines, and publishes mathematical tables.

Winter Meetings

The Conference and Meetings Committee will shortly be planning the winter programme of meetings, and members of Aslib are warmly invited to submit suggestions for topics that would interest them. If any speakers would care to volunteer their services, the committee would be most grateful.

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Items marked with an asterisk are not available from the Aslib library.

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Keane, Mrs. M. (London) S. C. Sutton
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Scottish Office (D.S.I.R.) (Edinburgh) Dr. H. Buckley
Selman, Dr. J. (Geleen, Netherlands)
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Northern Branch Meeting

The Northern Branch of Aslib met in the Harris Public Library at Preston on 16th June. Two papers were given: "Library facilities in Preston, particularly for the study of Technology" by Mr. R. F. Watson, F.L.A., of the Harris Public Library, and "small information services in an industrial undertaking" by Mr. A. H. Raine, of Brotherton & Co., Ltd. Miss J. A. Downton, M.A., F.L.A., the Borough Librarian of Preston, who made all the arrangements for the meeting, gave a brief account of the work being done on the Alphabetical List of Periodicals in the North-West. Mr. R. Brightman, M.Sc., F.R.I.C., was in the Chair.

Document Reproduction

Members are reminded that the new arrangements for the Document Reproduction service came into effect on 1st June, 1950. All requests for photograph or microfilm reproductions must now be made on requisition forms, price 2s. 6d. each, which must be obtained in advance from Aslib, 4 Palace Gate, London, W.8. Requisition forms can also be obtained in books of 4 for 10s., 8 for £1, and 40 for £5. Whether single forms or books are required, payment must be made when ordering them. Further details of the scheme may be obtained from the Aslib office.

Canadian Bibliographical Centre

A Canadian Bibliographical Centre has been set up in the Offices of the Public Archives, Sussex Street, Ottawa, Ontario. With financial backing from the Canadian House of Commons it aims to produce bibliographical tools for the publication of a national Canadian Bibliography and to ensure that Canada will be prepared for active co-operation in any world bibliographical scheme.

Luso-Brazilian Studies

An invitation is extended to all interested in the culture of the Portuguese-speaking peoples to attend an International Colloquium on Luso-Brazilian Studies to be held at Washington, D.C., from 18th to 21st October, 1950, sponsored by the Library of Congress and Vanderbilt University. Applications should be addressed to the Secretary, Colloquium on Luso-Brazilian Studies, The Library of Congress, Washington 25, D.C., U.S.A.

The Visual Arts

Mr. Heinz Berggruen, former information specialist of Unesco's Museums Division, has established a documentation service on the visual arts. He invites inquiries for bibliographical data at 15 Place Dauphine, Paris (1er), France.

"Eye and Ear" Training for Librarians

To keep pace with the times and the changing responsibilities of professional librarianship, the Library School of the University of Illinois is including a laboratory programme of practical study and work experience with audio-visual materials. Dr. C. Walter Stone, who is directing the "Eye and Ear" Demonstration Laboratory, intends the programme to meet the growing demand for librarians who have been properly trained to handle and use films, radio and recordings, slides, exhibits, displays, and similar aids to study and training.

Meteorological Abstracts and Bibliography

Under this title the American Meteorological Society has issued the first two numbers of a new monthly periodical which should be of value to meteorologists in all countries. The Editor and Technical Manager is Malcolm Rigby, assisted in this country by Dr. C. E. P. Brooks. Each issue includes, among other features, a collection, classified according to the U.D.C., but with dictionary sub-headings also, of recent meteorological books and articles, with full bibliographical indications and good abstracts, and a selected bibliography (about 200 items) of the literature of some special branch of meteorology. The first two special bibliographies deal with atmospheric pollution and aerobiology; the next two will be on cloud physics (artificial precipitation) and hail. Each issue is indexed by author, subject and geographical locality, and a cumulative index will appear every six months. The first two issues total 140 pages; the subscription rate is three dollars a year.

Film Subject Index

The Catalog of Copyright Entries, 3rd Series, Vol. 2, Parts 12-13, No. 2, (July-December, 1948), of the Copyright Office of the Library of Congress incorporates an index to the subject matter of non-theatrical motion pictures, and for the first time includes film-strips.

The Bryant Index

An index of information on country houses in England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales is being maintained by Mr. G. E. Bryant. The index consists of 50,000 cards with data from standard works of reference, sale catalogues, old guide books, local histories, the Press, wills, obituary notices, advertisements, and news paragraphs. The ultimate destination of the index has not been decided; preferably it should be deposited with a body having the necessary staff to maintain it.

Correspondence to Mr. Bryant may be addressed c/o the Aslib office.

1950 Annual Conference

In the last issue we were guilty of a loose insertion of information which might be kept in permanent form. Surprisingly, we have had no complaints, and to forestall any from librarians who file loose insertions under W.P.B. we repeat the information.

The following sessions have been arranged for the Aslib annual residential conference which will be held at Bristol University from 22nd to 25th September, 1950:

The Future of Aslib

Speaker: The Director, Leslie Wilson, M.A.

Chairman: The President, Percy Dunsheath, C.B.E., M.A., D.Sc., M.I.E.E.

The Library Resources of Bristol and the South-West

Speaker: F. L. Kent, M.A., Bristol University Librarian.

Chairman: James Ross, M.A., F.L.A., Bristol City Librarian.

(Visits to libraries have been arranged in connexion with this session.)

The Replanning and Reorganization of Libraries

Speakers: Miss M. Exley, F.L.A., Chief Research Librarian, Boots Pure Drug Co. (Medical and Scientific Libraries).

W. Ashworth, B.Sc., F.L.A., A.R.P.S., Librarian, British Nylon Spinners, Ltd.

Chairman: J. P. Lamb, F.L.A., Sheffield City Librarian.

The Literature of Special Librarianship

Speaker: Miss E. M. R. Dittmas, M.A., Aslib.

Chairman: Roy Stokes, F.L.A., Director, Loughborough College School of Librarianship.

(A small exhibition is being arranged in connexion with this session.)

Personal Experiences at the late Earl of Leicester's Library at Holkham

Speaker: W. O. Hassall, M.A., D.Phil., F.S.A., Assistant Librarian, The Bodleian.

Chairman: David Douglas, M.A., F.B.A., Professor of History, Bristol University.

A visit to the THEATRE ROYAL, Bristol, has been arranged for Saturday night (200 seats have been reserved).

Provisional bookings will now be accepted for the Conference, but priorities will be forfeit if the official application form is not returned within two weeks of its circulation, which will be early in August.

Winter Meetings, 1950/1

This year, Aslib Meetings for the coming winter will be held as before at the Institution of Electrical Engineers, Savoy Place, Victoria Embankment, London, W.C.2. Tea will be served before the sessions, which will open at 5.30 p.m. on the following dates:

1950	1951
Thursday, 26th October	Tuesday, 23rd January
Friday, 24th November	Wednesday, 14th February
Wednesday, 13th December	Thursday, 8th March.

U.D.C. 637.0/3

We have received a proposed extension of the classes 637.0/3 of the Universal Decimal Classification prepared by Mjölkcenralen (Dairymen's Co-operative Marketing Association), of Stockholm. It is mimeographed in English.

Festival of Britain Guide Book

Sponsored by the Festival of Britain Office, and published by Collins with costs of production borne by the Brewers' Society, the "About Britain" guide books to appear this year will cost 3s. 6d. each. Designed primarily for the convenience of tourists, the books will be divided into four sections: a "Verbal Portrait" of the area, a "Visual Portrait" consisting of illustrations in colour and black-and-white, tour itineraries with maps and marginal information, and a gazetteer-index.

Three-language Atlas

The first atlas to be published in three languages will be ready this summer. Jean Chardonnet has edited the *Atlas International Larousse* for Librarie Larousse of Paris, who will issue the work at 7,800 Fr. fr.

German Translations from the French

The new *Bibliography of German Translations from the French, 1700 to 1948* claims to be the most comprehensive list of translations hitherto published. It contains some 30,000 titles covering all the French-speaking area, Austria, and Switzerland. It will be completed in six volumes within a year. The publishers are the Verlag für Kunst und Wissenschaft, Baden-Baden, Lydtinstrasse 8, who are pricing each volume at 23 DM.

Survey of German Bibliography

Dr. Hans Widmann, who is co-operating in the preparation of a special report on bibliographical problems in Germany for the *Unesco/Library of Congress Survey of Bibliographical Services*, is producing a 180-page survey of German bibliography for the Niemeyer Verlag, Tübingen. The work will be entitled *Deutsche Bibliographien von 1939-1949*, and arranged under the headings International General Bibliography, National Bibliography, Private Bibliographies, and Specialized Bibliographies. Enquiries should be addressed to Dr. Hans Widmann, Universitätsbibliothek, Wilhelmstrasse 32, Tübingen, Germany.

Italian Catalogue

The Romance Language Department of Stechert-Hafner has issued an Italian Catalogue (No. 189), containing a list of some 2,500 titles covering thirty-two categories from Anthology to Zoology. Details may be obtained from Stechert-Hafner, 2 Star Yard, Carey Street, London, W.C.2.

Italian Institute

The Italian Institute has been set up at 39 Belgrave Square, London, S.W.1. Its primary object is "the strengthening of the friendly relations between Italy and Britain in the realm of the spirit." The library, which already owns several thousand volumes, is to be developed to become one of the richest in Italian studies among the many libraries in this country. It will be open to the public, but loans will be made only to members. The first issue of the magazine edited by the Institute, *Italian News*, was published in June.

Edinburgh Festival

The *Scotsman*, in association with the Scottish P.E.N. and the National Book League, is organizing an exhibition, "A Thousand and One Books of the Year" (June 1949-May, 1950), for the Edinburgh International Festival of Music and Drama this year.

British National Bibliography

Messrs. Easibind, Ltd., Pilot House, Mallow Street, London, E.C.1, have produced sets of Easibinders to hold current issues of the British National Bibliography. The binders are finished in green quarter-bound rexine with gilt lettering and cost £3 2s. 6d. for a set of five, i.e. one for each quarter of the year and one for the author index. Single binders cost 14s.

Special Library Practice—Australian View

After spending some time visiting special libraries in England, France, Canada and the U.S.A. in 1948, Miss Barbara Johnston, Librarian of the Division of Food Preservation of the Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization, has produced an extremely interesting report on Special Library Practice in these countries. Copies have been circulated to the libraries visited, and the report is now out of print. There is a loan copy in the Aslib library.

The American Library

When informing us last month that the American Library at 5 Grosvenor Square, would be open from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Mondays to Fridays, Mr. Douglas W. Bryant, Director of Libraries of the United States Information Service, reminded us that one of the most important aspects of the service of the American Library is the reference and research work it is prepared to undertake for Government Ministries, research associations, and public and special libraries.

International University Sanatorium

Many members will know of the "Sanatorium Universitaire Suisse" operating at Leysin since 1922 for the treatment of university students and teachers suffering from tuberculosis. Although founded to receive students and staff of the Swiss universities, the sanatorium has always, as far as accommodation allowed, opened its doors to students from other countries. Dr. Louis C. Vanthier, of the University of Geneva, sacrificed his career to its foundation, and he is now appealing for funds for the erection of a "Sanatorium universitaire international", where university teachers and students of all countries may be able to regain their health under the best possible economic, medical, academic and spiritual conditions. Information may be obtained from Dr. Louis C. Vanthier, General Secretary of the S.U.I. Action Committee and Director of the Swiss University Sanatorium, Leysin, Switzerland.

Technology of Light Metals

Elsevier, the publishers of Professor Zeerleder's "Technology of Light Metals", have pointed out that this title is the same author's "Technology of Aluminium" revised and enlarged to include magnesium.

Bruce Roger's Bibles

The Summer Exhibition of the Royal College of Art, which is being held in the R.B.A. Galleries, Suffolk Street, London, S.W.1, from 14th to 29th July, will include one of the Bruce Rogers Bibles displayed for the first time to the British public. It is printed on hand-made paper and specially bound by Roger Powell for export to U.S.A.

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Changes of Name, Address and Aslib Representative

Ministry of Defence (J.I.B.): now Metropole Buildings, Northumberland Avenue, London, W.C.2. Tel. Whitehall 8474.

Patent Office Library: representative now Mr. F. W. Gravell.

Common Ground, Ltd.: Mr. Ian Carter succeeds Mr. S. Rhodes.

Lewenz, H. I.: now The Kennels House, Kintbury, Berks.

London & National Society for Women's Service: now 50 Tufton Street, London, S.W.1.

Educational Institute of Scotland: Mr. A. J. Belford succeeds Dr. Wishart.

Otago University Library: Mr. F. H. Rogers succeeds Mr. John Harris.

Ministry of Supply (Operational Research Group): now War Office (Army Operational Research Group), Broad-oaks, West Byfleet, Surrey. Tel. Byfleet 3161-11. Mr. H. H. Wiles succeeds Dr. R. Whitney.

Members' Advertisements Situation Vacant

Assistant required for small scientific library dealing with nutrition. Preferably with Inter. B.Sc. in Chemistry and Biology. Previous library experience not essential. Typing desirable. Situation in house known as Walton Oaks in Tadworth area. Reply Box No. 58.

Two Senior Assistants are required—one for the Medical Library (with medical (or scientific) experience), and one to superintend the Arts Faculty Reading Room. Salary £7 a week rising by 10s. to £8 a week. Degree and library experience essential; professional qualification desirable. Application in writing, with names of two referees, to Librarian, The University, Edmund Street, Birmingham, 3, by 31st July.

A Senior Abstractor is required immediately for the Library and Information Bureau of the British Cotton Industry Research Association. Applicants, who should possess a science degree and preferably, but not essentially, have a knowledge of textiles, must be capable of abstracting technical and scientific material from foreign journals, especially German. The post is progressive and the successful candidate will be expected ultimately to assume responsibility for the production of the Association's abstract publication and also to participate in other work involving translation services. The commencing salary, which will depend on qualifications and experience, will be of the order of £500 per annum and will carry superannuation under the F.S.S.U. Applications, giving all relevant particulars, should be addressed to the Director, Shirley Institute, Manchester, 20.

Metallurgical Society requires indexer for its publications. Applicants should have a knowledge of metallurgy, chemistry, or physics (preferably a degree) and some experience of technical indexing is very desirable. Superannuation scheme in operation. Write, giving full details and salary required, to Box No. 59.

The Furniture Development Council invites applications for the post of Principal Officer to organise and run a technical Information Service. Applicants should have scientific qualifications, a thorough knowledge of the technical problems of the furniture industry and

ability to write clearly on technical subjects. Abstracting experience would be an advantage. Applications should be sent in writing, stating experience, qualifications and salary required, to the Secretary, Furniture Development Council, 11 Adelphi Terrace, Robert Street, London, W.C.2, and marked Information Service.

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Aslib Proceedings, Vol. 1, No. 1, 1949, for Miss Dittmas, c/o Aslib, 4 Palace Gate, London, W.8.

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Scientific Libraries

In its Report on Scientific and Technical Library facilities for the Committee on Industrial Productivity, the Panel on Technical Information Services recommended that a Scientific and Technical Library Authority should be set up as a semi-independent agency of the Government to run central loan and reference libraries and to advise and assist financially other technical libraries. After considering this Report the Advisory Council on Scientific Policy has stated in its Third Annual Report (1949-50) that:

'While agreeing with the diagnosis and broad objectives stated by the Panel, we felt doubtful whether the case for an executive Scientific and Technical Library Authority was made out. We consider that the objects which the Panel had in view could be achieved by existing organizations, given effective co-operation and increased support for their efforts. *We therefore decided to constitute, with your approval, a Standing Scientific Library and Technical Information Committee of the Advisory Council on Scientific Policy:*

- (i) to co-ordinate the development of scientific libraries as a whole, and to consider in greater detail the parts to be played by individual libraries;
- (ii) to examine their additional requirements in the light of the needs of users;
- (iii) to review the recruitment and training of scientific librarians;
- (iv) to initiate and co-ordinate the preparation of union lists; and
- (v) to devise and introduce as soon as possible a system of common or interchangeable readers' tickets for those libraries where tickets are required.

'We consider that in this way co-ordination can readily be achieved by bringing those interested together, and that the necessary support for the provision or extension of facilities can be enlisted. In our view the necessary knowledge and organizations already exist but they urgently need increased resources and a higher status if they are to meet the national need.'

This committee has now been set up under the chairmanship of Mr. E. M. Nicholson, of the Office of the Lord President of the Council. Aslib's representative on the committee is Mr. B. Fullman, of the British Non-Ferrous Metals Research Association.

Library Building and Planning

The first of the Aslib Winter Meetings, to be held at the Institution of Electrical Engineers, Savoy Place, Victoria Embankment, W.C.2, at 5.30 p.m., on 26th October, will be a symposium, "Library building: Library planning". Tea will be served from 5 p.m. Speakers will be Wilfrid Bonser, Ph.D., F.L.A., librarian, University of Birmingham; J. B. Reed, B.Sc., A.R.I.C., head of Library and Publications

Department, British Coal Utilization Research Association; and Miss J. A. Taylor, B.A., assistant librarian of the Medical Research Council. It is expected that contributions to the discussion will be made by Maxwell Ayrton, F.R.I.B.A., architect for the Medical Research Council; Miss P. M. Downie, M.A., F.L.A., librarian at the Ministry of Education; and K. D. C. Vernon, F.L.A., of the Royal Society of Arts. The Chairman will be John Summerson, F.S.A., A.R.I.B.A., curator, Sir John Soane's Museum.

Miss L. G. Thomerson, who is organizing a small exhibition of material illustrating the symposium, would be grateful to receive any contributions ready for display addressed to her at Patra House, Randalls Road, Leatherhead, Surrey.

Branch Conference

The Conference of the Scottish Branch of Aslib which was postponed from 14th April will now be held on 6th October at the Mitchell Library, North Street, Glasgow, C.3. The programme and list of speakers will be printed in a later issue of *Aslib Information*.

Unesco Bibliographical Conference

To replace the cancelled international congress of librarianship and bibliography planned by I.F.L.A. and F.I.D. which was to have been held in the United States next October, Unesco has organized a conference on the improvement of bibliographical services to be held at Unesco House, in Paris, on 7th November. Members of national working parties established as part of the Unesco bibliographical survey will attend from over forty countries.

International War Bibliography

An international conference is to be held in Amsterdam from 5th to 9th September to consider problems of documentation related to the history of the last war.

The conference is being sponsored by the Rijksinstituut voor Oorlogsdocumentatie, Amsterdam, Herengracht 479. Information may be obtained from the General Secretary of the Institute, Mr. L. de Jong.

Lectures and Courses

Mr. W. J. Bishop, Librarian of the Wellcome Historical Medical Library, will be giving a course of five lectures on the Literature and Librarianship of Medicine at the North-Western Polytechnic, Prince of Wales Road, N.W.5, on Friday evenings during the autumn term. At the same Polytechnic part-time courses for students engaged in library work and who wish to prepare for the examinations of the Library Association will commence in September.

S. Asia scientific bibliography

Unesco's Science Co-operation Office for South Asia is compiling a regional scientific bibliography which will

be issued free to scientific institutions, abstracting services, and international scientific unions. A preliminary *List of scientific periodicals published in South Asia*, containing the titles of some 246 periodicals now published in Burma, Ceylon, India, Indonesia, Malaya, and Thailand, may be obtained on application to Dr. A. Wolsky, USCO, University Buildings, Delhi, India.

The office has also undertaken to print bibliographical lists of scientific papers published in the region, but at present only citations of the titles and authors are attempted. The list for the period January-June, 1949, covering India, Burma, and Ceylon, and including some 2,000 titles, is now in the press.

Publication of Indian science abstracts will be revived, and a *Union catalogue of science periodicals available in the main libraries of South Asia* produced jointly with the Indian Library Association.

Medical Cards

The Library of Congress will sell on a subscription basis of \$100 a year multilithed catalogue cards representing medical titles catalogued or re-catalogued by the U.S. Army Medical Library, for which there are no L.C. printed cards. Further information may be obtained from the Card Division, Library of Congress, Washington 25, D.C., U.S.A.

Scholarly Material on Microfilm

Professor Joshua Whatmough, Chairman of the Department of Comparative Philology at Harvard University, has issued in the form of microfilm the documentary portion of his work, *The Dialects of Ancient Gaul*. Inquiries about this film should be directed to University Microfilm, Ann Arbor, Michigan, U.S.A.

Microfilming

The Library of Congress hopes to microfilm bibliographies, guides, calendars, and similar material in repositories outside the U.S.A. which may be of interest and importance for the uses of American scholarship. The Library has established in the *National Union Catalogue* a Clearing House of Information for Extensive Microfilm Projects which will supply information on projects proposed, in progress, and completed. Dr. Lester K. Born, formerly Chief of the Archives-Libraries Section of the Office of Military Government for Germany, has been appointed Special Assistant on Microfilm Program.

Sessional Papers, microprint edition

Work has been resumed on the microprint edition of the *Sessional Papers* of the House of Commons by the Readex Microprint Corporation. The years 1820-25 had already been covered when work ceased in 1942, and it is hoped to complete the work (1801-1900) within three years. The issues are prints of carbon ink on permanent 6 in. by 9 in. record cards, with 100 pages on each card.

Fair Copying Declaration

The Royal Society's pamphlet, *Fair Copying Declaration and List of Publishing Organizations subscribing to it*, lists 118 subscribing publishers, covering 167 journals, as at 1st May, 1950.

Back Numbers

The Intelligence Officer of the British Shipbuilding Research Association has kindly offered to any member who may require them bound back numbers of *The Engineer*, 1890-1919, and *Engineering*, 1860-1919.

Documentation on Housing

A Centre de Documentation sur l'équipement et l'aménagement de l'habitation, to be known as the "Centre for documentation on housing", has been set up at the Pavillon de Marsan, Palais du Louvre, 107 rue de Rivoli, Paris 1er, France. Information on French and foreign manufactures relating to housing matters is available to anybody interested; translations can be made and photographic and microfilm reproductions supplied at a small charge.

French Documentation

A new journal, *A.B.C.D. : Archives, bibliothèques, collections, documentation*, has been published under the auspices of the Association professionnelle des archivistes français. The Association des bibliothécaires français, the Association générale des conservateurs de collections publiques de France, and the Union française des organismes de documentation.

Published quarterly, it covers the technical and scientific problems relating to the archives, libraries, museums, and documentation centres of France. The secretariat is at 65 rue de Richelieu, Paris 2e, France.

1951 Book Design Exhibition

The adjudicators for the National Book League's 1951 Exhibition of Book Design will be Mr. Harry Carter, of H.M. Stationery Office, and Mr. Douglas Cleverdon, of the B.B.C. The books will be shown early in the new year.

Leather Bindings

The British Leather Manufacturers' Research Association, which recently acquired Milton Park, at Egham, has been investigating the causes of the deterioration of book-binding leathers. The Association has discovered that the general belief that the trouble is due to the presence of acid from the tanning process is a fallacy. An oxidation process set up by the absorption of sulphur dioxide from industrial atmosphere causes the leather to crumble. The British Museum now specifies the particular leathers it requires for bindings, choice being based on a test devised by the Association.

Philosophy of Science

We have received a copy of a new quarterly, *The British Journal for the Philosophy of Science*, published by Nelson. It will contain papers presented to the Philosophy of Science Group of the British Society for the History of Science and contributions from other sources. Annual subscription is 30s. (22s. to members of the Philosophy of Science Group).

I.M.M. Abstracts

The Institution of Mining and Metallurgy has commenced the publication of monthly abstracts of world literature on economic geology and mining (excluding coal), mineral dressing, extraction metallurgy (excluding iron, but including refining), and allied subjects of interest. Annual subject and author indexes will be issued. For the time being *I.M.M. Abstracts* will be published as part of the *Bulletin* of the Institution and will be issued free to members and subscribers. The subscription rate for the *Bulletin*, including *I.M.M. Abstracts*, is £3 per annum (12 monthly issues), and inquiries should be addressed to the Institution at Salisbury House, Finsbury Circus, London, E.C.2.

Impact

Impact, a new quarterly bulletin of abstracts recently issued by Unesco, is concerned with the international and social implications of science. It may be obtained from the Natural Science Department, Unesco, 19 Avenue Kléber, Paris 16, price 2s. 6d.

New C.S.I.R. Journal

The Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organization is publishing a new journal, *Australian Journal of Marine and Freshwater Research*, at 7s. 6d. each copy. Publication will be irregular, but it is expected that two copies will appear each year. Information may be obtained from the Secretary, C.S.I.R., 314 Albert Street, East Melbourne, C.2.

Medical Publications in German

Medizinische Bibliographie: Buch- und Zeitschriftener Scheinimgun, 1946-1948, by Walter Voigt, in a classified bibliography containing about 850 monographic and 100 periodical titles, attempts to list all German and foreign medical publications written in the German language since the end of World War II. Details may be obtained from Schmorl und von Zeefeld Nachf., Hanover, Germany.

British Standards Institution

At the Annual General Meeting of the British Standards Institution last month the Rt. Hon. Sir John Anderson, P.C., G.C.B., F.R.S., was elected President for the coming year.

In presenting the annual report, Mr. Roger Duncalfe, Chairman of the General Council, explained that the work had expanded during the year in all sections, both nationally and internationally. The B.S.I. had distributed nearly three-quarters of a million copies of *British Standards*, many of them volumes of considerable size. The B.S.I. had participated in a number of exhibitions, and the Library and Information Service had developed substantially. He pointed out that the Library now holds copies of about 43,000 overseas standards.

I.R.S.A.C. First Annual Report

The Belgian Institut Pour la Recherche Scientifique en Afrique Centrale (I.R.S.A.C.) has issued its *Premier Rapport Annuel* for the year 1948. Inquiries should be addressed to the Institute at Rue Montoyer, 42, Bruxelles.

Index Translationum

Unesco has revived *Index Translationum*, the international bibliography of translations which appeared regularly from 1932 to 1940 as a service of the former International Institute of Intellectual Co-operation. The translations listed include literary, scientific, educational, and cultural works published in pamphlet or book form and are cross-indexed under authors, translators, and publishers. The *Index* will provide current information about works which have been translated and indicate works whose translation might usefully be undertaken. The first issue of the new series covers the year 1948 and is available from H.M. Stationery Office at 18s. 6d.

British African Population Censuses

The latest title in the series of annotated bibliographies issued by the Census Library Project of the Library of Congress and the Bureau of the Census is *Population Statistics of British Africa*. The series, designed to afford a world coverage of official publications of census and vital statistics, is available from the U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington 25, D.C., U.S.A.

Russian Translation Service

The Head of the Department of Russian of the University of Delhi has introduced a Russian Translation Service. In this connexion he is issuing a monthly *Russian Translation Service Bulletin* free to universities, libraries, and learned societies on an exchange basis. The *Bulletin* will give particulars in English of the publications of the Academy of Sciences of the U.S.S.R., including contents pages of journals and periodicals. (It should be remembered that the Academy of Sciences covers a very wide field, combining, among others, the functions of the Royal Society and the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research.) Institutions and individuals not included in the free service may subscribe on payment. Particulars may be obtained on application to V. Shibayer, Head of the Department of Russian, University of Delhi, Arts Faculty Building, Delhi, India.

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The Editor of *Aslib Information* welcomes news of the appearance of new British or foreign journals and details of forthcoming conferences that might be of interest to members.

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Periodicals Required

The Goldsmiths' Librarian, University of London Library, Senate House, London, W.C.1, would be glad to receive any volumes of Parliamentary Papers bound in sessional order; also

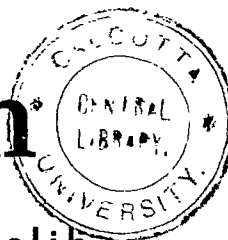
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Unesco/Library of Congress Survey

A report on this survey, including a statement by the Aslib Working Party set up under the chairmanship of Miss Barbara Kyle, Royal Institute of International Affairs, was drawn up at a meeting called by the Library Association on 12th July. This has now been adopted by the National Co-operating Body for Libraries and has been forwarded to Unesco. It will be considered, with reports from other countries, at an international conference to be called by Unesco in Paris, from 7th to 10th November. The National Co-operating Body has decided to invite Mr. G. Woledge, Librarian of the British Library of Political and Economic Science and Hon. Secretary of Aslib, and Mr. L. R. McColvin, Librarian of the Westminster Public Libraries, to attend the conference in Paris as delegates of Great Britain.

Ascona Meeting

A meeting of the Documentation Committee of the International Organization for Standardization (ISO TC/46) was held at Ascona, Switzerland, from 28th to 30th April, to agree on a number of draft recommendations for international standards and to begin work on additional standards. Representatives attended from Belgium, Denmark, France, India, Italy, the Netherlands, Sweden, Switzerland, the Union of South Africa and the United Kingdom and from IFLA and Unesco, and Yugoslavia sent an observer.

Four draft standards were approved—those for the International Code for abbreviating titles of periodicals, the lay-out of periodicals, the transliteration of Cyrillic characters, and for the sizes of photographic reproductions on paper (readable without optical devices). If accepted by 13 or more of the 26 member-countries of ISO these will be recognized as international standards. Provision has been made for certain details to be modified if necessary in the light of special requirements or of the findings of other ISO technical committees.

The Committee approved the preparation of a list of conventional contractions (e.g. J. for Journal, Z. for Zeitschrift) as an appendix to the International Code for abbreviating titles of periodicals. Other future work is to include: consideration of a code for the compilation of indexes and contents lists of periodicals, etc., the standardization of terms used in documentary reproduction, standards for reproduction by microfilm, the study of BSI standard 1629:1950 on bibliographical references, and consideration of the possibility of standardizing the transliteration of further non-roman alphabets.

A special sub-committee was set up to handle all photographic work, with a secretariat at the French Standards Association (AFNOR), bibliographical work remaining with the general secretariat of the Committee at The Hague.

B.N.C.D.

At a meeting held on 30th August, 1950, the British National Committee on Documentation decided to dissolve itself on 31st December, 1950. This decision was prompted primarily by the difficulties encountered during the last two years in raising this country's annual contribution to the F.I.D. The committee was of the opinion, however, that a small national standing committee was needed to co-ordinate documentation interests within Great Britain, and expressed the hope that Aslib would try to form such a committee consisting of representatives of the Library Association, the Royal Society, the British Standards Institution and Aslib.

The F.I.D.'s plans for the decentralization of its work make it likely that this country will be able to maintain its contact with the F.I.D. in relation to the U.D.C.

Unanswered Questions

We are enclosing with this issue a copy of *Unanswered Questions*. This bulletin will be published provisionally monthly by D.S.I.R. (Intelligence I) in connection with its investigation into the question whether the tools available are adequate to guide inquirers to the information sought. The D.S.I.R. will welcome any specific questions on which there may be available information which cannot be located. It is stressed that the request for unanswered questions is entirely supplementary to all existing services of the D.S.I.R.; the special responsibility continues for Intelligence I section to put inquirers into contact with organizations which may help them. Questions for publication in the new bulletin should be addressed to D.S.I.R. (Intelligence I), Charles House, 5-11 Regent Street, S.W.1. Recipients of *Unanswered Questions* with this Bulletin will not necessarily receive further issues. Requests for further issues should be sent direct to D.S.I.R.

South African Bibliographies

The bibliographies published in the Bibliographical Series of the School of Librarianship of the University of Cape Town are the work of students studying for the Diploma of Librarianship of the University of Cape Town. To qualify, each student is required to prepare a bibliography on a special subject, preferably in a South African Field which has not been covered by any previous publication. The bibliography has to contain a minimum of about 150 entries. These bibliographies have been issued in a stencilled form stapled in semi-stiff covers. Titles and prices may be had on application to the Director, School of Librarianship, University of Cape Town, Rondebosch, Cape Town, South Africa.

Translations

In an effort to discover the degree of duplication of effort spent in translating scientific and technical articles the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research has circulated a list of scientific and technical articles which have been translated into English by or for the Department during the ten years 1940-1949. A questionnaire has been circulated with the list in respect of the number of translations made by the recipient during the same period, and the number of those translations duplicated in the Department's list.

Winter Meetings, 1950/1951

Six meetings will be held in the Tea Room, at the Institution of Electrical Engineers, Savoy Place, London W.C.2., at 5.30 p.m. Tea will be served on four occasions, at 5 p.m. i.e. on 26th October, 24th November, 23rd January and 8th March, at 6d. per head.

PROGRAMME

26th October (Thursday)

LIBRARY BUILDING : LIBRARY PLANNING

A Symposium. Architects invited.

Chairman : John Summerson, F.S.A., A.R.I.B.A.,
Curator, Sir John Soane's Museum.

Speakers : Wilfred Bonser, Ph.D., F.L.A., Librarian,
and Vernon O. Rees, A.R.I.B.A., Architect,
of the University of Birmingham Library.
J. B. Reed, B.Sc., A.R.I.C., Head of Publications Department, British Coal Utilisation Research Association.

Miss Jeannette R. Taylor, B.A., Assistant Librarian, and Maxwell Ayrton, F.R.I.B.A., Architect, of the Medical Research Council Library.

Contributing to discussion : Miss P. M. Downie, F.L.A., Librarian, Ministry of Education.

K. D. C. Vernon, F.L.A., Librarian, Royal Society of Arts.

Miss L. G. Thomerson, B.Sc., Librarian, Printing, Packaging and Allied Trades Research Association.

An exhibition is being arranged by Miss Thomerson in connection with this symposium. It will be open at 5 p.m.

24th November (Friday)

ESTIMATING THE COST AND VALUE OF INFORMATION SERVICES

Chairman : A. R. Smith, Head of Head Office Intelligence Department, Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd.

Speakers : J. B. Pears, M.A., M.I.Mech.E., Technical Index Section, Head Office Intelligence Department, Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd. ;

C. W. Hanson, B.Sc., Information Officer, British Scientific Instrument Research Association.

HOW TO CHOOSE A CLASSIFICATION FOR YOUR SPECIAL LIBRARY

13th December (Wednesday)

Chairman : Professor Lancelot Hogben, M.A., D.Sc., Department of Medical Statistics, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham.

Speaker : A. J. Wells, F.L.A., Editor of the British National Bibliography.

Copies of this programme are available on request. Details of the second half of this series of meetings will be available later. The dates will be 23rd January (Tuesday); 14th February (Wednesday); and 8th March (Thursday).

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Northern Branch A.G.M.

The Annual General Meeting of the Northern Branch has been arranged for 27th October, in the Lecture Room of the Central Library, St. Peter's Square, Manchester, at 11.30 a.m. At 2.15 p.m. Mr. W. H. Glasscock, Superintendent of H.M. Stationery Office, Manchester, and Mr. S. Horrocks of the Central Library, will speak on "Government and Official Publications". Reservations can be made for lunch to be served at 1.0 p.m. at the Café Royal at a charge of 6s. 6d. Particulars may be obtained from the Branch Hon. Secretary, Miss L. Wolff, 2 Scarsdale Road, Victoria Park, Manchester, 14.

Scottish Branch Conference

The one-day Conference of the Scottish Branch which was postponed from 14th April will now be held at the Mitchell Library, North Street, Glasgow, C.3, on Friday, 6th October, under the Chairmanship of Dr. D. G. Brown, Chairman of the Branch. The Conference will be opened at 10.30 a.m. by Mr. C. A. Oakley, Regional Controller of the Board of Trade. Papers will be given as follows :

THE RECORDS OF SCOTLAND, by Mr. James Fergusson, Keeper of the Records of Scotland.

BOOKS IN INDUSTRY, by Sir James W. French, D.Sc.
 THE RANGE OF GOVERNMENT PUBLICATIONS, by
 Mr. W. A. Beck, M.V.O., M.B.E., Superintendent for
 Scotland of H.M. Stationery Office.
 THE ATTITUDE OF THE RESEARCH WORKER TO
 TECHNICAL INFORMATION, by Mr. S. Weinberg, B.Sc.,

Research Department, G. & J. Weir Ltd.

The Annual General Meeting of the Branch will be
 held at 4.20 p.m.

Details may be obtained from the Hon. Secretary,
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Aslib Annual Conference

It is a measure of the merit of the Conference Committee that the Annual Conference was a success in spite of weather which put the Manchester delegates thoroughly at home.

The sessions were so well attended that at one time the Press was sitting on a window sill. The speakers were excellent and the papers as entertaining as they were informative. Many delegates stressed the importance of the contacts they were able to make and the value of the opportunities for an exchange of ideas.

Much of the table talk was of the new policy outlined by the Director on Saturday morning and his proposal for a library consultant and specialist committees. Suggestions of modifications to this policy were noted by the Chairman of Council, Mr. Hyams, who assured the Conference that every idea submitted would receive the most careful consideration of the Council.

We are not printing a report in this bulletin as the November issue of *Aslib Proceedings* will be devoted to the Conference.

L.A. Conference

The Library Association's Annual Conference, held in London from 18th to 22nd September, was of course principally concerned with celebrating the centenary of the first Public Libraries Act. In the absence on naval service of the President, the Duke of Edinburgh, his uncle, Earl Mountbatten, welcomed the many foreign visitors at the inaugural session and delivered the Presidential Address. On the Wednesday, Mr. Charles Nowell, City Librarian of Manchester, spoke on 'The Last Hundred Years'. The Library Association Annual Lecture was delivered on the Thursday by Sir Arnold Plant, Cassell Professor of Commerce in the University of London, on the subject 'Are Libraries Business-like?' Defining 'business-like' as 'well-ordered, systematic, prompt', Sir Arnold asked whether those epithets could fairly be applied to all phases of the public library movement, both in its relations to its clientele and in its internal arrangements. He concluded by examining the optimum size of the public library unit.

Among the many papers delivered at sectional meetings, undoubtedly the most important for members of Aslib was that read by Mr. D. V. Arnold, of I.C.I., to the University and Research Section on the Tuesday afternoon, under the title 'Why Special Libraries?' Not enough importance had been attached (he said) to the examination of library administration from the point of view of the group of readers served, with the result that the term 'special libraries' had become extremely difficult to define. He suggested a new term 'special group libraries', to include any library serving a group of readers existing as a special community with some common bond other than the library itself; such a definition would include university libraries. Mr.

Arnold then examined the problems common to university and industrial librarians. He considered that some very different form of basic professional training from that now generally obtainable would be required if such 'special group libraries' were to undertake co-operative tasks of sufficient importance to be worth while. Library research was essential, particularly into the relationship of all types of library not only to their own readers but also—from the viewpoint of those readers—to each other.

At a meeting of the Medical Section on the Wednesday afternoon Sir Cecil Wakeley, President of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, opened a discussion on 'The Role of the Library in the Advance of Medicine'. He mentioned particularly the Royal Society of Medicine's Central Medical Library Bureau as a clearing house for information, and the work of the Medical Section in its three years of existence in bringing together medical librarians, distributing duplicates and arranging training courses. Contributions were read by Dr. C. H. Kellaway, Director-in-Chief of the Wellcome Research Institution, on the function of a research library; by Dr. Hugh Clegg, Editor of the *British Medical Journal*, on standards of documentation and bibliographic citation; by Mr. V. Z. Cope, Consulting Surgeon to St. Mary's Hospital, on the availability of information and the education of readers in the use of libraries; and by Professor E. C. Dodds, Harveian Librarian, on the library of the Royal College of Physicians. In the ensuing discussion, speakers referred to the economic pressure on the libraries of societies, the work of medical departments of public libraries, the need for staff libraries in non-teaching hospitals, the necessity of appointing only trained librarians, and the value of microfilm to small or isolated libraries.

On the Thursday afternoon, Mr. D. W. Bryant, Director of Libraries, U.S. Information Service, addressing the University and Research Section on 'Developments in American University Librarianship since the War', stressed the necessity of training librarians to cope with the increasing complexity of administration and relieving the fully-trained man of all "non-professional work", and of determining future methods of cataloguing by a study of the actual use made of existing catalogues. He also described schemes for co-operative collecting and methods of Anglo-American co-operation.

World Agreement on Book Duties

Books, newspapers, magazines, manuscripts, music scores, maps, charts and travel literature will enjoy duty-free entry under an international agreement which Unesco is sponsoring as a means of reducing barriers to world trade in educational, scientific and cultural materials. The text of the convention was approved by

Unesco's 59 Member States at the recent General Conference of the Organization in Florence.

Governments signing the "Agreement on the Importation of Educational, Scientific and Cultural Materials" will abolish duties on books, newspapers, and periodicals of all kinds; on manuscripts, including typescripts; on music in manuscript or printed form; and on travel posters and travel literature, such as pamphlets, guides, time-tables and leaflets.

At the same time, governments will grant foreign currency for books and other publications for public libraries.

The agreement will also permit the free importation of paintings, drawings and sculpture. Newsreels, educational films and filmstrips will likewise be freed from tariff restrictions. Duties will also be lifted from a wide range of materials consigned to recognized educational, cultural and scientific institutions. These items include: objects of art; sound recordings; scientific instruments; apparatus and collections; patterns; models and wall charts; and architectural, industrial or engineering plans or designs.

Unesco is circulating the convention to all its Member States, and to Members of the United Nations. It will be open for signature at Lake Success, New York, shortly and will come into force following ratification by ten countries.

Building Documentation

We have received a 'Draft Schedule of recommended practice in selecting C.D.U. numbers for building documentation', prepared for the International Council for Building Documentation.

U.S. Film Catalogue

The United States National Commission for Unesco has just published the film catalogue, 'United States Educational, Scientific and Cultural Motion Pictures' (report of the Panel on Educational Films Sub-committee on Catalogues, April, 1950). Unesco has sent copies of this catalogue to all distributing bodies for films, but a small number of catalogues still remain available for distribution to institutions interested. Copies may be obtained from the Unesco Clearing House for Publications, 19 Avenue Kleber, Paris 16e.

Special Material

Our only book publication this year, R. L. Collison's *The Cataloguing, Arrangement and Filing of Special Material in Special Libraries*, got away to a flying start.

Pre-publication orders constituted a record, and no single day since the first announcement has passed without further orders. On the strength of the reports on the MS. we printed a fair number of copies, so that we shall not, for a while at least, utter the suspect warning, 'order your copies now or else. . .'

Austrian Technical Information Centre

An Austrian technical information centre, attached for administrative purposes to the Institute of Technology of Vienna, was opened this year. The centre will run a reading room with 350 national and foreign periodicals on engineering, industry and science; keep author and subject indexes; prepare photocopies; prepare or obtain microfilms; and answer inquiries and prepare abstracts, bibliographies and technical translations.

Title-Pages and Indexes

The London office of Stechert-Hafner, Inc., has prepared a checklist on title-pages and indexes to 733 British periodicals, entitled "The British T.P.I. List". Information is given on whether title-pages and/or indexes are issued, whether bound in the journal or issued separately, and the usual date or manner of publication. As far as we know this is the first of this kind of list to be published. The price is 6s. 6d. The London office of Stechert-Hafner, Inc., is at 2 Star Yard, Carey Street, London, W.C.2.

Agriculture and Horticulture

A new quarterly, *Abstracts on Agricultural and Horticultural Engineering*, is being published by the National Institute of Agricultural Engineering, of Wrest Park, Silsoe, Bedfordshire. The annual subscription is 16s.

Artistic Research Centre

A centre de recherches et de documentation artistique has been formed under French Government patronage at 101 rue de Pronz, Paris 17e, France. It will work as a non-profit-making organization to supply data on artists or works of art, locating photographic copies of texts, etc., for members.

Hafner Publishing Co., Ltd.

It is announced that the new English company for marketing the publications of the Hafner Publishing Co., Inc., in the British Isles hopes to stock most of the publications in London. Catalogues may be obtained from the Hafner Publishing Co., Ltd., 2 Star Yard, Carey Street, W.C.2.

League of Nations

Documentation for the period 1920-1946 concerning member states of the League of Nations (deposited in the Library of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation in New York City) has now been provided with an adequate catalogue. A general report on this cataloguing project was recently prepared for the Rockefeller Foundation by Harriet Van Wyck, Librarian of the Woodrow Wilson Foundation. Information may be obtained from the Foundation at 45 East 65th Street, New York City 21, N.Y., U.S.A.

Delinquency

A new quarterly, *The British Journal of Delinquency*, is announced, published jointly by the Institute for the Study and Treatment of Delinquency and Bailière, Tindall & Cox. Although intended especially for those concerned with the clinical side of the subject, a good deal of attention will be paid to the more forensic and administrative aspects. Subscription is 27s. 6d. (U.S.A. \$4.00) a year post free.

Special Librarianship Lectures

A course of lectures under the heading 'Library Practice (Special Librarianship)' under the direction of Miss D. Hamerton is being started at the West London College of Commerce, Earsley Street, Hammersmith, W.14 (opposite Olympia), on Tuesday evenings from 6-8 o'clock. The fee for the complete course of lectures is £1. Particulars may be obtained from the Principal of the College.

Social and Political Ideas

Among the new classes in Librarianship which started at the North-Western Polytechnic, London, during the week 25th-29th September, is one on the Literature of Social and Political Ideas, which may now be taken at the Registration Examination in place of the History of English Literature. The lecturer is Mr. H. S. Hyland, B.A., F.L.A., Research Librarian at the House of Commons.

Gas Turbine Technology

Postgraduate courses of one, two, and three weeks' duration, on Industrial Gas Turbines and Aero Engines are given at the School of Gas Turbine Technology maintained by nationally-owned Power Jets (Research and Development) Ltd. Fees for the courses are 15 gns. a week for tuition, together with a further £3 10s. a week for accommodation in the School.

Information may be obtained from the Principal, The School of Gas Turbine Technology, Farnborough Place, Church Avenue, Farnborough, Hampshire.

Joule Museum

A small museum, supported by the University of Manchester and the British Society for the History of Science, is being established to commemorate the work of James Prescott Joule, discoverer of the Law of Conservation of Energy. The museum will collect material relating to the early history of the discovery.

London Library

The Librarian of the London Library, Mr. C. J. Purnell, retired on 30th September after 45 years with the library. He is succeeded by Mr. Simon Nowell-Smith.

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Cameron, Miss M. P.: now c/o Ciba Foundation, 41 Portland Place, W.1.

Hungarian Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Library and Science Dept.): now Munus Illés rakpart 47, Budapest, Hungary.

British Hydromechanics Research Association: now Netteswell Road, Harlow, Essex.

British Film Institute: new Tel. No. MUSEum 0581.

British Scientific Instrument Research Association: now The Information Dept., "Sira", Southill, Elmstead Woods, Chislehurst, Kent. Telephone IMPerial 2237.

Vitamins, Ltd.: now Walton Oaks Experimental Station, Dorking Road, Tadworth, Surrey.

British Ceramic Research Association: now Queen's Road, Penkhull, Stoke-on-Trent.

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Thomerson, Miss L. G.: now "Ecclesbourne", Cobham Road, Fetcham, near Leatherhead, Surrey.

Institute of Petroleum: representative now Mr. H. Hyams, F.Inst.P.

I.C.I., Ltd. (Plastics Division): representative now Dr. Wm. Batten.

Brotherton & Co., Ltd.: Tel. now Leeds 53982.

Brotherton Library: Tel. now Leeds 31751.

Board of Trade (Technical Information Documents Unit): now Lecon House, Theobalds Road, London, W.C.1. Tel. CHAncery 4411.

Bristol University Library: Tel. now Bristol 24161.

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Miss S. Peppa: now Mrs. S. Peppa-Xeffloda.

Royal Aircraft Establishment: Mr. R. G. Thorne succeeds Mr. C. S. Caunter.

Corrections to printed List of Members.

Members are asked to note the following corrections, which should be made in the *List of Members*, printed in *Aslib Proceedings*, Vol. 1, No. 4. The numbers are those of the serial numbers in section 1.

159A. The address of the Technical Library, ADMIRALTY (Dept. of the Engineer-in-Chief) should be: Admiralty Offices, Foxhill, Bath. Tel.: Bath Tennyson 0669.

222. The telephone no. for BRISTOL UNIVERSITY LIBRARY should be Bristol 24151.

250. BRITISH INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE RESEARCH ASSOCIATION should have appeared under the subject classification Internal Combustion Engines, not Turbine Engineering.

280. The telephone no. of BROTHERTON & Co., LTD., should be: Leeds 53982. The subject classification of this firm should be Chemical Industries.

281. The telephone no. of BROTHERTON LIBRARY has been changed to Leeds 31751.

295. The address and telephone no. of BUTTERWORTHS-SCIENTIFIC PUBLICATIONS, LTD., should be: 436 Strand, London, W.C.2. Tel.: Temple Bar 3911.

325. The address of the COLLEGE OF AERONAUTICS should be Cranfield, Bletchley, Bucks.

344. The address of the NAVAL ORDANCE DEPARTMENT should read: Room 93B, Block "D", Admiralty Offices, Ensligh, Bath. Representative: Mr. W. S. Potter.

346. COVENTRY PUBLIC LIBRARIES: address should be: Cow Lane, Coventry. Representative: Ernest Simpson (City Librarian).

358. DAILY MIRROR: Mr. E. R. C. Lintott should have been described as Research Editor.

420. The representative at the FUEL RESEARCH STATION should have been given as Dr. N. E. Pettitt.

536. Mr. G. Sell, as representative for the INSTITUTE OF PETROLEUM, should have been shown as Editor.

542. The telephone no. of INSTITUTE OF WELING should be Sloane 9851.

630. The telephone no. of LUTON PUBLIC LIBRARIES Central Library is Lutor 1345. The representative is Mr. Frank M. Gardner.

677. The telephone extension no. for Miss M. Gosset at the ATOMIC ENERGY RESEARCH ESTABLISHMENT (Ministry of Supply) should be Abingdon 620, ext. 2647.

689. The correct address of MITCHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY is London Road, Mitcham, Surrey.

730. The correct address of NORTH EAST COAST INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS AND SHIPBUILDERS, is Bolbec Hall, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 1.

780. POWELL DUFFRYN TECHNICAL SERVICES, LTD. Telephone no. should be Grosvenor 3801.

854. The representative of the SCIENTIFIC COMPUTING SERVICE, LTD., should have appeared as L. J. Comrie. In the subject index the organization should have been grouped under *Commercial and Industrial Concerns* and should be cross-referenced to Publishing and Book-selling.

MEMBERS' ADVERTISEMENTS Situation Vacant

Assistant to Information Officer wanted. Duties include classification of technical literature, maintenance of library, preparation of abstracts. Engineering experience and knowledge of languages an advantage, but willingness and ability to acquire specialized knowledge of fluid mechanics essential. Commencing salary about £400, dependent on experience. Housing accommodation will be available shortly. Write, giving full details of qualifications and experience, to British Hydromechanics Research Association, Netteswell Road, Harlow, Essex.

Periodicals Required

Many libraries in various parts of the world have sought the help of Unesco in securing copies of out-of-print issues of *Nature*. Members who have such issues and wish to dispose of them are invited to ask for details of issues required from the Secretary, The National Co-operating Body for Libraries, 11 Bryanston Square, London, W.1.

Aslib Conference Reports Nos. 2, 6, 10 and 21—Swets & Zeitlinger, Boekhandelaars-Uitgevers, Keizersgracht 471 and 487—Amsterdam-C.

Periodicals on offer

Science Abstracts: for sale. Section A: Physics 1918-1926; Section A: 1932-1950; Section B: 1938, 1939 and 1918. *Physical Society Proceedings*: 1948, 1949 and 1950.

Journal of Scientific Instruments: 1949 and 1950 and copies of 1946 and 1936.

American Institute of Electrical Engineers' *Journal Electrical Engineering*: 1940-1949.

Institution of Electrical Engineers (Great Britain): 1940-1950. Part I.

H. Vickers, Consulting Electrical Engineer, 22 Warwick Park, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Mr. W. Avon Wales offers for the cost of transportation 11 vols. of *The Engineer* from the latter half of 1884-1889 in good condition. Correspondence to Aslib.

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Scottish Branch Conference

Members will feel grateful that the Scottish Branch Conference, postponed from April because of the smallpox epidemic in Glasgow, had only climatic conditions to contend with on its new date of 6th October. In spite of rain, some 30 members and about 20 non-members spent an enjoyable day at the hospitable Mitchell Library and heard useful and provocative papers which will appear in *Aslib Proceedings* next year. Probably for the first time in history an Aslib conference provoked a "banner" headline on the front page of a Scottish or, for that matter, any other newspaper.

Thanks to its chairman, Dr. D. G. Brown, its honorary secretary, Mrs. M. Spence, and its enthusiastic committee, the Scottish branch is an extremely active one. Local conditions impose on it peculiar difficulties but it has already proved its ability to turn these to good account. Its most important immediate task, like that of all of us, is to expand its field and activities by the recruitment of new members. It should not be over-optimistic to aim at a branch membership of 60 by the end of 1951.

At the Branch Annual General Meeting which followed the conference, the following officers were elected for 1950-51:

Chairman: Dr. D. G. Brown, *I.C.I. Nobel Division*.
Vice-Chairman: Mr. M. C. Pottinger, *Scottish Central Library*.
Hon. Treasurer: Mr. H. McCall, *Scottish Home Department, Marine Laboratory, Torry*.
Hon. Secretary: Mrs. M. Spence, *Scottish Seaweed Research Association*.
Hon. Assistant Secretary: Miss E. Handeln, *Department of Agriculture for Scotland*.

Committee:

Mr. R. Butchart, *Edinburgh Public Libraries*.
Mr. R. J. Cruikshank, *Babcock & Wilcox*.
Dr. W. M. Dickie, *University College, Dundee*.
Mr. W. G. Marskell, *Babcock & Wilcox*.
Mr. A. B. Paterson, *Mitchell Library, Glasgow*.
Mr. J. Revie, *British Jute Trade Research Association*.
Dr. L. W. Sharp, *Edinburgh University*.
Mr. P. W. Thomas, *Institution of Engineers & Shipbuilders in Scotland*.

Northern Branch

At the Annual General Meeting of the Northern Branch of Aslib held in Manchester on 27th October, the following officers were elected:

Chairman: Mr. E. N. Simons (*Edgar Allen & Co.*)
Vice-Chairman: Mr. A. H. Raine (*Brotherton & Co., Ltd.*)
Hon. Treasurer: Dr. J. C. Withers (*British Cotton Industry Research Association*)

Hon. Secretary: Miss E. Boddy (*Edgar Allen & Co.*)

Hon. Auditor: Mr. G. E. Haslam

Committee:

Mr. A. R. Cameron (*A. V. Roe & Co., Ltd.*)
Mrs. M. Dean (*British Rayon Research Association*)
Dr. W. Roman
Mr. F. A. Sharr (*Manchester Public Library*)
Mr. A. H. Raine (*Brotherton & Co., Ltd.*)
Mr. J. P. Lamb (*Sheffield City Libraries*)
Dr. V. E. Parke (*I.C.I., Ltd., Billingham Division*)
Miss M. Exley (*Boots Pure Drug Co., Ltd.*)
Mr. L. J. B. Mote (*Shell Refining & Marketing Co., Ltd.*)
Miss E. Vallender (*Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Co., Ltd.*)
Miss Miller (*I.C.I., Ltd., Hexagon House*)
Mr. L. L. Ardern (*Manchester College of Technology*)
Mr. G. H. Davison (*United Steel Companies, Ltd.*)

Votes of thanks were accorded to Mr. R. Brightman, the retiring Chairman, and to Miss L. Wolff, the retiring Hon. Secretary, for their splendid work for the branch during its formative years.

The afternoon was devoted to papers on "Government and Official Publications". Mr. Bradshaw, of H.M.S.O., read a paper on the issuing point of view by Mr. W. H. Glascock, Superintendent of H.M.S.O. Mr. Horrocks, of the Central Library, Manchester, dealt with reception problems.

The papers to be given at a Northern Branch Meeting to be held in the Civic Hall, Leeds, on Thursday, 30th November, will be: "Facilities of Leeds University Library for the study of Science and Technology" by Mr. B. S. Page, M.A., Librarian Leeds University and Keeper of the Brotherton Collection; "Facilities of Leeds City Libraries for the assistance of industry and commerce" by Mr. E. Hargreaves, F.L.A., Leeds City Reference Library; "Information Services from First Principles" by Mr. G. A. Shires, M.Sc., Dunlop Rubber Co., Ltd; and "Aslib's Service to Industry" by Mr. Leslie Wilson, M.A., Director of Aslib.

Winter Meetings

An insertion in our last issue announced the postponement of the Winter Meeting originally fixed for 13th December of this year. This was occasioned by the clash of this date with a meeting of the University and Research Section of the Library Association. It was considered more convenient to re-arrange our programme and, accordingly, Mr. A. J. Wells will give his paper on "How to choose a classification for your Special Library" on Thursday, 8th March, 1951.

The Library Association extends an invitation to Aslib members to attend its meeting on 13th December, on "Lighting and Colour in Libraries" with an introduction by Mr. K. D. C. Vernon of the Royal

Society of Arts, to be held in the Lighting Service Bureau, 2 Savoy Hill, W.C.2, at 6 p.m.

In view of the postponement of Mr. Wells's lecture we have arranged another Winter Meeting for 15th December. Members, particularly those who attended the Winter Meeting of 2nd December, 1949, to discuss the Unesco/Library of Congress Bibliographical Survey, will appreciate the opportunity of hearing Mr. F. C. Francis's first-hand report on the Unesco Conference on the Improvement of Bibliographical Services held in Paris from 7th-10th November.

The meeting on 26th October, "Library Building: Library Planning", was considerably stimulated by contributions from architects and the collection of maps, photographs, and models arranged by Miss Thomerson of P.A.T.R.A. A full report of the meeting will be published in *Aslib Proceedings*.

Aslib Proceedings

It has been decided to expand the scope and nature of *Aslib Proceedings* as from next year. This will give an opportunity for shorter articles, which have not been presented at an Aslib Meeting, to be published. It is also hoped to include letters to the editor, hints and brief notes on techniques, and members are invited to submit contributions of this nature for the editor's consideration.

Formation of Groups

In his paper at the Annual Conference the Director outlined a proposal to form groups of Aslib members working in similar fields to stimulate co-operation and the exchange of ideas. It is hoped to form a few experimental groups, if possible this winter. The Director will be glad to hear from any members who would like a group to be formed representing their own particular fields of interest.

Social Sciences

In April, 1950, Aslib set up a Working Party "to consider and report on such parts of the *Unesco/Library of Congress Report on Bibliographical Services* as are concerned with the Social Sciences, with a view to discovering and making known the existing bibliographical sources in that field".

The members of the Working Party, after discussion, came to the conclusion that only by further limiting their terms of reference would they be likely to produce anything positive as a contribution to the subject in a reasonably short space of time. Accordingly, they have only considered the contributions to this field published in the Commonwealth, in the hope that other countries will make similar surveys, and, that from these combined efforts, useful information may be made internationally available.

The Working Party has compiled a list, the purpose of which is not to form a bibliography of recommended sources, but to indicate the extent of British material. The object has been to include all specialist abstracts and bibliographical tools and auxiliary material has been included for subjects insufficiently documented. Inevitably, more useful works than many of those listed are available if the field is surveyed on the international level.

For the purpose of this list "social sciences" has been arbitrarily defined to comprise the following subjects: sociology, statistics, political science, econ-

omics, law, international relations and organizations, colonial administration, social services, education and the sociological aspects of psychology and anthropology.

The sources listed, with the exception of those already in Besterman's *Bibliography of Bibliographies*, include:

1. periodicals and other serials current since 1945,
 2. separate bibliographies published since 1924,
- all published in the Commonwealth. The following categories have been intentionally omitted: national bibliographies; monographs of which only a part is bibliographical; bibliographies covering a wider field than the social sciences.

Information regarding the availability of the list may be obtained from the Chairman of the Working Party, Miss Barbara Kyle, at the Royal Institute of International Affairs, 10 St. James' Square, S.W.1.

A few copies of the British report submitted to Unesco are held by the Director and may be borrowed on application.

U.D.C. Draft

We have received from the British Standards Institution the U.D.C. 62/622 Revised Draft, reference CM(OC) 4942 superseding CG(DOM) 4883 and CJ(OC) 6621. The British Standards Institution is anxious to obtain comments and criticism on this draft and will send copies on application to its offices at 24-28 Victoria Street, Westminster, S.W.1. It is emphasized that a number of the new proposals are still under discussion and the draft is not for use. As supplies are limited it would be appreciated if only those organizations desiring to comment on the proposals applied for copies.

Building Documentation

On 23rd October the International Council for Building Documentation (C.I.D.B.) was formally inaugurated by a unanimous vote of the General Assembly meeting in Paris. The Conference was attended by 123 persons representing 23 countries and 11 international organizations. The first President is M. Marini, Director of the Centre Scientifique of Technique du Batiment of the French Ministry of Reconstruction.

The Conference was called at the invitation of the French Government, who showed their wholehearted support to the organization through their Minister of Reconstruction, M. Claudius Petit, and by the presentation of the delegates to the President of the Republic, M. Vincent Auriol, at the Elysee Palace.

Five working parties reached agreement on and outlined programmes for further work on the exchange of information between the various national members. In general this will take place through the medium of abstracts of the national literature, published in English or French, on a standard format and with agreed U.D.C. classification. Work has already begun on the preparation of national and international lists of building terminology; in this Unesco, through Dr. Holmstrom, will play an active part in advising on the method of incorporating the results in a general polylingual dictionary which Dr. Holmstrom is creating. Recommendations for the better arrangement of periodicals, data sheets and other publications should eventually lead to a simplification of bibliographical work.

The Council, which at first was thought would be confined to Europe, has aroused considerable interest

outside Europe and should before long have a world-wide network of participating members.

The body responsible for co-operation on behalf of the United Kingdom is the British Building Documentation Committee, whose chairman, Mr. B. Agard Evans, was elected Vice-President of the International Council. The Committee is representative of the building documentation interests in this country and it is hoped through this latest move, greatly to improve the flow of information from abroad across the barriers of geography and language.

Cumulative Index : PE Notes

On 1st January, 1951, a new Cumulative Index to PE Notes will be started. The Index will be called "Extensions and Corrections to the UDC" and will generally be referred to as "Extensions". The Extensions will appear semi-annually, viz. on the 1st of January and on the 1st of July.

After the edition of the second "Ergänzungsband" to the 3rd (German) complete edition of the Universal Decimal Classification which will appear early in 1951, the Extensions will contain all future PE Notes in a cumulative form.

The Extensions have the added advantage of labour saving and compactness. The usual cutting and rearranging of PE Notes will be superfluous. The annual subscription to the Extensions will be 25 Dutch guilders for those who start their subscription in 1951. Prospective subscribers in 1952 or later will have to pay a higher subscription rate. Orders should be sent to the International Federation for Documentation, 6 Willem Witsenplein, The Hague, The Netherlands.

Manchester B.S.I. Branch Office

The British Standards Institution has opened a branch office at 12 Hilton Street, Manchester, 1, where a complete set of British Standards, some 1,600 in number, may be consulted and copies purchased if desired. Any information about the B.S.I. can be obtained by reference to Mr. A. F. B. Nall, an Assistant Technical Director of the Institution, who is in charge of the Manchester office.

State Libraries' Periodicals

The Circle of State Librarians has undertaken to prepare a list of periodical holdings in State Libraries, excluding National Libraries, in connection with a Treasury inquiry on binding in State Libraries.

New Spanish Journals

Revista de Plásticos is the title of a new bi-monthly published by the Plastics Section of the Juan de la Cierva Trust of Technical Research in Spain. Annual subscription is 80 pesetas, single copies are 15 pesetas.

The Cultural Relations Department has announced the forthcoming publication of *Anthologia*, a review in Spanish, English, French, and later Arabic, versions which will complete the work carried out in the *Spanish Cultural Index*. *Anthologia* will include versions of the most interesting articles appearing in Spanish scientific, literary, and artistic periodicals.

Further information may be obtained from the Dirección General de Relaciones Culturales, Plaza de la Provincia 1, Madrid.

Near Eastern Studies

An index to theses unpublished and in preparation on Near Eastern studies is to be established at the University of Durham. The index will contain references to work in such fields as Egyptology, Semitic studies, Islamic studies, Sociology, Ottoman studies and linguistics generally, but will exclude modern scientific and technological work. Information may be obtained from Richard Hill, Esq., Department of Oriental Studies, The University, Durham.

Technical Books Exhibition

One of the key exhibits at the American Association for the Advancement of Science conference in Cleveland, Ohio, in December, will be a British Technical Book Exhibit sponsored by Staples Press, Inc. A special catalogue of all the titles to be exhibited is being prepared, and an additional list of books to be published in 1951 will be issued.

McGraw-Hill to Print Here

The McGraw-Hill Publishing Co., Ltd., of London has arranged with the McGraw-Hill Book Company, Inc., of New York to reprint certain scientific and technical titles. The first 11 titles will become available in November, at prices based on the official conversion rate of 7s. 1½d.

National Central Library

The Annual Report of the National Central Library for the year ending 28th February, 1950, shows a greatly increased use by libraries of Government departments and of research and industrial organizations. Work has progressed on the union catalogue of printed material in the Russian language in the libraries of the United Kingdom, begun in 1947, but it is evident that the compilation of the catalogue cannot be completed within the period of three years originally estimated. It is hoped that work on the union catalogue of German wartime publications held by British libraries will be virtually complete by 31st March, 1951, when the Foreign Office grant for the purpose will expire.

Microcards for Liverpool

Liverpool Public Library is probably the first public library in this country to order a Readex Projector. During the war Liverpool lost 200,000 volumes, and microcards will replace some of these. Mr. J. F. Smith, the City Librarian, will be glad to show the projector to any interested librarian.

World Petroleum Congress

The World Petroleum Congress will be held at The Hague and Scheveningen from May to 6th June, 1951. The purpose of the Congress is to exchange information about the present scientific level of the petroleum industry in various countries. A provisional programme has been compiled for the Congress by the Organizing Committee—the "Petroleum Section" of the Royal Institute of Engineers at The Hague.

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Huddersfield Technical College Library: Mrs. B. L. Smith succeeds Miss B. L. Jackson as Librarian.

Metropolitan Water Sewerage and Drainage Board (Sydney): W. V. Aird succeeds G. Hicks as Secretary.

Bristol Public Libraries: Telephone No. is Bristol 20021.

Hilgar & Watts, Ltd., address is now: 48 Addington Square, Camberwell, S.E.5.

Conservative Central Office: now Conservative Research Department.

Coblans, Herbert, M.Sc., Ph.D.: address now University of Natal, P.O. Box 1525, Durban, South Africa.

Bibliothèque de l'Université Libre de Bruxelles: now 50 Avenue F. D. Roosevelt, Bruxelles, Belgique.

Chester Beatty Research Institute: now The Royal Cancer Hospital, address remains unchanged. Tel.: FLA. 1484.

British Museum (Dept. of Printed Books): J. L. Wood succeeds A. G. Crawley.

Fuel Research Station (Blackwall Lane): Dr. N. E. Pettitt succeeds A. Macintosh.

Hipkins, G. J.: now 26 Rosehill Gardens, Sutton, Surrey.

British Museum (Dept. of Printed Books): A. H. Chaplin succeeds J. L. Wood.

Australian National University: now Acton, Canberra, A.C.T., Australia.

Orszagos Könyvtari Központ: now Guszev-utca 1, Budapest, Hungary.

Admiralty (Dept. of Engineer-in-Chief of the Fleet): now Admiralty Offices, Foxhill, Bath, Somerset.

U.S. Information Service Library: should be re-altered to read American Library. Tel.: GRO. 4111.

advantage, but applications will also be considered from candidates who intend to make a career of librarianship, and are educationally equipped to obtain the necessary professional qualifications. Age preferably 20-30. Salary according to age and qualifications. Applications to Manager, Intelligence Department, British Cast Iron Research Association, Alvechurch, Birmingham.

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Periodicals Wanted

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The City Librarian, Central Library, Sheffield, 1, has for disposal the following bound volumes to any member, on payment of postage only:

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Christmas

The approach of Aslib's first Christmas in its new home makes us more than ever conscious of the links that unite us all in the pursuit of a common purpose, as it does also the spirit of fruitful co-operative work without which Aslib could not go on. This mid-century year has been one of stress and change, and not without the growing pains that inevitably accompany any attempt at expansion, particularly when financial resources are still restricted. Yet some things have been achieved. Their precise nature will be seen from the report of the year's activities to be presented at the next Annual General Meeting on 25th April, 1951. For the moment, it must suffice to say that not only have past advances been consolidated but plans have been put into effect for, among other things, increasing individual services to members, creating new branches and groups, producing a limited number of much-needed publications and attracting new members to the Association.

None of these things could have been done without the encouragement and practical help of members, in one form or another. They are yet another illustration of the fact that what one gets out of Aslib is in direct proportion to what one puts into it. The Council, the standing committees and the Director and his staff are deeply conscious that, in 1950, members have indeed contributed generously to the progress of events, and they unite in sending to all members, both here and overseas, their warmest Christmas greetings and best wishes for the New Year.

Aslib Branch Meeting

A meeting is planned for Friday, 9th March, 1951, to take place at Leicester, when it is hoped that Mr. J. C. H. Hurd, F.T.R., Head of the School of Textiles of Leicester College of Technology and Commerce will speak on the history of the machine knitting industry with special reference to historical records, and Dr. Marjorie Plant, D.Sc.(Econ.), F.L.A., of the London School of Economics on the supply of foreign books and periodicals in this country.

Further particulars will be published in due course. Members are asked to make the meeting as widely known as possible among potential new members.

Aslib Winter Meetings

23rd January

"Impressions of American Special Libraries and Information Services." (Particulars of this talk were circulated with the November issue of *Aslib Information*.)

14th February

Visits to the Post Office Sorting Office at Mount Pleasant, made possible through the courtesy and co-operation of Mr. E. C. Baker, the Librarian, and Mr. J. A. Green, have now been arranged for groups of twenty persons at half-hourly intervals, beginning at 5.30 p.m. Those availing themselves of this opportunity will see the methods, including highly mechanized aids, employed in sorting letters and parcels, from receipt to actual despatch from the Post Office railway station at Mount Pleasant. Each visit will last approximately two hours. We shall be grateful if you will apply early at Aslib Office for your tickets to facilitate grouping.

8th March

Mr. A. J. Wells has promised to give his talk on "Classification", postponed from 13th December, on

8th March. (Further particulars will appear in the January issue of *Aslib Information*.)

Spring 1951 : Aslib Study Group

From 9th to 14th April, 1951, a Study Group is being arranged by Aslib for beginners in special library and information work. It will be held at Chaucer House, Malet Place, W.C.1, again by courtesy of the Library Association. We hope to repeat last year's course with improvements based on comments and suggestions received. Visits to libraries will be organized.

Remembering the Festival of Britain and that London will be full, we suggest that you book your accommodation now, if you are thinking of attending. Full details should be available after Christmas.

Membership Campaign

The Director wishes to thank all those members who have kindly sent in the names and addresses of potential new members in response to his circular appeal. They will be interested to know that Miss D. Mackenzie Bremner has been appointed to the staff to conduct the membership campaign in 1951 and that she has already started to follow up the suggestions sent in. The importance of the membership campaign cannot be too strongly emphasized, and the Director would be most grateful for any further suggestions that members can put forward.

Easter Vacation Course

A week's Vacation Course is being arranged for 16th-21st April, 1951, at the School of Librarianship and Archives, University College, London. The subject chosen for study is "Government Information and the Research Worker".

The course will consist of eight or nine lectures by specialists from representative Government depart-

ments, with guided discussions. It will cover the principal fields of Government activity and deal with both published and unpublished material. It will appeal particularly to those working in special and academic libraries, commercial, technical and general reference libraries and information bureaux.

Any librarians interested are invited to apply to the Director, School of Librarianship and Archives, University College, Gower Street, London, W.C.1, for details of the programme, fees, etc.

Bibliographical Material

Some months ago the Committee of the London Group of the University and Research Section of the Library Association gave some thought to the question as to whether there was not a good deal of bibliographical material being produced in this country, much of it of value, that was not coming to the attention of those to whom it might be of use. Such material was usually not of the type to which reference was made in the usual trade bibliographical publications.

The Committee decided to communicate with the Editor of the 'Bibliographic Index' (the H. W. Wilson Company) concerning the more comprehensive inclusion, in that Index, of bibliographies published by various specialized organizations and persons in this country, and a reply was received from the Editor stating that she would welcome full particulars of all such bibliographies for inclusion in the Index.

It is hoped that all librarians and others who might be able to help in this connection will make an effort to send such details to the Editor, 'Bibliographic Index', The H. W. Wilson Company, 950-972 University Avenue, New York 52, N.Y.

Photocopying

The Information and Library Committee has been considering the practice of some publishers who, while giving permission for certain of their publications to be photocopied, make a charge for the privilege. The Committee feels that, in general, the practice is unreasonable, and would be glad to have from interested members who have had this experience details of publishers and charges involved.

Education Conference

The Thirty-fourth Annual Conference of Educational Associations will be held at King's College, Strand, W.C.2, from 28th December to 3rd January.

World Power Conference

The second post-war sectional meeting of the World Power Conference will be held from 10th to 15th January, 1951, in New Delhi. *Bulletin No. 2* of the Indian National Committee of the World Power Conference, giving details of the meeting, may be obtained from The British National Committee, World Power Conference, 201 Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, W.C.2.

F.I.D. Conference

For its Italian Conference in October, 1951, the F.I.D. will discuss:

- (1) Use of the Universal Decimal Classification (reports of various users).
- (2) Abstracting and Bibliography. The use of abstracting and indexing services. (Chiefly reports of services in different countries.)

- (3) Use of technical methods of documentation; selection of documents, photo-copying, micro-copying. (Reports from experts of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and from members of the international commission studying technical methods of documentation.)
- (4) The teaching of documentation. Its results. The report prepared by Mme. Briet of the Bibliothèque nationale in Paris for the joint commission of the F.I.D. and I.F.L.A. should serve as a working paper.

Further details will be published in a later issue.

British Instruments

Olympia will house the first British Instrument Industries' Exhibition next year from 4th-14th July. The Exhibition, which will show scientific and industrial instruments of British manufacture, is being organized by Messrs. F. W. Bridges & Sons, Ltd., Grand Buildings, Trafalgar Square, W.C.2.

Technical Periodicals

The Hungarian Academy of Science in Budapest is to publish fifteen technical periodicals, which will be available on an exchange basis. Articles will be in Russian, English, French and German. Information may be obtained from the Library of the Academy of Sciences, Budapest, Hungary.

Russian Technical Literature

In the May issue of *Bibliothèque* of the Nederlandse Vereniging von Bibliotecarissen an account is given of the work of a group set up to investigate Russian Technical Literature, with brief surveys of Russian translations in the U.K., the U.S.A., France and the Netherlands.

Psychology Periodicals Handlist

We are issuing as an offprint from the *Journal of Documentation* 'A handlist of psychology periodicals in the learned libraries of Great Britain' by J. W. Scott, B.A., A.L.A., of Birkbeck College and Professor F. V. Smith, M.A., Ph.D., of Durham University. The list, of 179 periodicals, follows the practice of the *World List* in most details of arrangement; the major difference is to include both dates and volume numbers for each location when known. Copies, at 2s. 6d., may be obtained from the Aslib office.

Canadian Catalogue

A monthly bibliography, the *Canadian Catalogue*, is to be issued as a supplement to the *C.L.A. Bulletin*. It will list books published in Canada, about Canada, and written by Canadians. Particulars may be obtained from the C.L.A., 46 Elgin Street, Ottawa, Ontario.

Greek Archives

Dr. Peter Topping, Professor of History at Santa Barbara College, California, who plans to microfilm unpublished guides to the archives of Greece, will spend the first few months of his stay there investigating sources for the study of medieval and modern Greek history.

Latin American Libraries

Unesco's Clearing House for Publications at 19 Avenue Kléber, Paris 16e, France, will supply on request a list with addresses of 419 libraries in 21 different Latin American countries.

Import Restrictions Lifted

A trade agreement between Great Britain and Western Germany permits the importation of British books in English into Germany and of German books in German into the U.K. without restriction under Open General Licence.

Medical Library Enlarging

The Royal Society of Medicine has received from the Wellcome Foundation a gift of £80,000 to enlarge the accommodation of the Library of the Society, and to purchase books and periodicals. Plans for enlargement have been prepared and are under consideration.

Cotton Research Station

The Empire Cotton Growing Corporation's new Cotton Research Station has been opened at Namulonge, Uganda. The work of the Station will not be confined

to the Uganda crop but will also cover basic problems of the other African territories.

Scandinavian Music Centre

A Scandinavian Music Centre is to be established in New York by the composers' societies of Norway, Denmark, Sweden and Finland, in conjunction with the American-Scandinavian Foundation. The Centre will be stocked with as comprehensive a collection as possible of Scandinavian musical scores, musical literature, gramophone records and catalogues.

Mr. F. L. Kent

Mr. F. L. Kent, M.A., is resigning as librarian of Bristol University to take over the librarianship of Unesco in Paris next month. Mr. Kent has been a very good friend to Aslib for many years, and we most sincerely wish him every success in his new appointment.

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Furniture Development Council, The (Technical Information Section, London)

G.K.N. Group Services, Ltd. (Research Laboratories)

Główny Instytut Dokumentacji Naukowo-Technicznej (Warsaw)

Herts Pharmaceuticals, Ltd. (Welwyn Garden City)

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Institute of Dental Surgery (London)

Institution of Production Engineers (London)

Jewish National and University Library (Jerusalem)

Lange, Maxwell & Springer, Ltd. (London)

Marsland, Mrs. E. M. (Manchester)

Ministry of Health (The Library, London)

Società Edison (Giunta Technica di Gruppo, Milan)

Svenska Aeroplan Aktiebolaget (Biblioteket Sweden)

Transport and General Workers' Union (Research and Education Dept.) (London)

Wells, A. J., F.L.A. (London)

Wyeth, John & Brother, Ltd. (The Library) (London)

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